

Palmer Annual Report

1974

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The picture on the front cover of the Town Report shows Palmer's Town House as it stood many years ago. To the left of the building can be seen a dirt road which is Main Street, Thorndike, just in front of the present Town Administration Building. To the left rear of the Town House can be seen the Town Cemetery. The meadow land to the right is now heavily wooded.

It is appropriate that in this year of the celebration of the Bicentennial of the American Revolution we should depict a little of Palmer's history in our Annual Town Report.

To this end we have also included a report of the committee which was chosen to carry into effect the vote of the Town to plan for the construction of a Town House. The language of the report is exactly as recorded by Mr. John Ward, Town Clerk of Palmer in 1846.

The committee chosen to carry into effect the vote of the Town on the subject of building a Town House with the instruction to report a plan of said house to the Town do hereby report and submit to the Town a plan of a house which your committee think will be such a house as will convene them and such a one as they need (to wit)

Said house to be 48 feet wide by 70 feet long with 18 foot posts and to be divided as follows: three 16 feet by 12 rooms on the front end of said house, the one in the center for entry of said house, the other two to be used by the Selectmen, Assessors and Town Clerk and Committees and company and the remainder to be in one room for the Town to assemble to do there necessary and Town business and the seats to be setties. And your committee are of the opinion that the expense of such a house will not exceed \$2000.00.

All of which is humbly submitted—

Palmer March 11, 1846.

Abel Calkins
Pliny Cooley Committee
Marble K. Ferrell

Recorded by: Mr. John Ward

Town Clerk
of Palmer



TOWN OF PALMER

ANNUAL REPORTS

of

TOWN OFFICERS

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

YEAR ENDING

DECEMBER 31, 1974

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Palmer March 10th 1846

Abel Calhoun }
 Pliny Coolidge } Committee
 Marble K. Herrick }

Recorded by me
 John Ward } Town Clerk
 of Palmer }

FACTS ABOUT PALMER

SETTLED	1716	
INCORPORATED	1776	
LOCATION	About 15 miles east of Springfield on U. S. Route 20	
HIGHEST ELEVATION	Mt. Pattaquattic, 1080 feet	
POPULATION	11,875 (State Census - 1971)	
FORM OF GOVERNMENT	Town Meeting	
TAX RATE	<u>12 mo. period</u> 1/1/73 - 12/31/73	<u>6 mo. period</u> 1/1/74 - 6/30/74
TOWN	\$193.00 per thousand	\$95.10 per thousand
FIRE DISTRICT TAX		
Precinct A	9.00	4.50
Precinct B	10.00	5.00
Precinct C	12.00	6.00
Precinct D	20.00	10.00
NUMBER OF DWELLINGS	Approximately 2687	
PROPERTY VALUATION	\$16,836,410.00	
AREA	Approximately: Land, 20,110.9 acres; water 457.5 acres, total 20,568.4 acres, 32.14 sq. miles	
STREETS AND HIGHWAYS	About 150 miles	
PUBLIC SCHOOLS	Three elementary at Palmer, two at Three Rivers, one each at Thorndike and Bondsville, High School at Palmer	
FIRE PROTECTION	Fire Stations at Walnut St., Palmer, Main St., Three Rivers and Main St., Bondsville	
POLICE	Well-established and equipped department under William E. Holt, Chief, Telephone 283-7461	
RECREATIONAL FACILITIES	Legion Field (athletic), Eager Playground, Burleigh Park, plus playground and recreational equipment at Three Rivers Common, Thorndike Grammar School and Endelson Playground, Bondsville	
PUBLIC LIBRARY	Central Street, Palmer	

**GOVERNMENTAL DISTRICTS
AND REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE
TOWN OF PALMER**

United States Senators

Edward W. Brooke, Newton
Edward M. Kennedy, Boston

Representative in Congress

Second Congressional District
Edward P. Boland, Springfield

Councillor

Seventh Councillor District
Leo J. Turo

State Senator

Worcester, Hampden, Franklin
and
Hampshire Senatorial District
Frederic W. Schlosstein, Jr., Warren

Representative in General Court

First Hampden Representative District
Alexander Lolas, Monson
Twentieth Hampden District
Steve T. Chmura

County Commissioners

Stephen A. Moynahan
Richard S. Thomas
Armando G. Dimauro

District Attorney

Matthew J. Ryan, Jr., Springfield

Annual Town Meeting

April 28, 1975

TOWN OFFICERS — 1974 **(Elective)**

Term Expires

TOWN CLERK

John T. Brown 1975

TOWN TREASURER, 1 year **Joseph S. Gill**

COLLECTOR OF TAXES, 1 year **Stephen J. Dranka**

SELECTMEN, 1 year **William J. Lemanski, Chairman**

Thomas W. Haley James L. St. Amand

ASSESSORS

Stanley J. Swiatlowski, Chairman 1976
William A. Coulter 1975
Alvin C. Rondeau 1977

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

John J. Dyl, Chairman 1977
Earl E. Benoit 1975
Joseph J. Malzenski 1975
James R. Longtine 1976
Robert R. Canterbury 1977

BOARD OF HEALTH

Maurice R. LePage, D. S. C., Chairman 1976
Frederick J. Lis 1975
Donald H. Cavanaugh 1977

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

George S. Gay, Chairman 1977
Walter L. Chase 1975
Robert E. Geer 1976

LICENSE COMMISSIONERS, 1 year **Edwin M. Olearczyk, Chairman**

Bernard J. Lamery Fred S. Tyburski

	Term Expires
PLANNING BOARD	
John Chopyk, Chairman	1978
Daniel V. Fogarty, Jr.	1975
Aylmer C. Giroux	1976
Evelyn B. Anton	1977
Frederick C. Rathbone	1979
William Ammann (Appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Frederick C. Rathbone)	

PARK COMMISSIONERS, 1 year	
David E. Johnson, Chairman	
Robert J. DeMaio	James T. Duke
Robert M. Laviolette	Walter A. Pluta

PALMER HOUSING AUTHORITY	
Rev. Guy M. Judkins, Chairman	1978
Aloysius J. Tyburski	1976
William J. Lemanski	1977
Richard E. Fontaine	1979
State Member (Appointed):	
Myrtle C. Davis	August 25, 1979

PATHFINDER REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE	
Enrico Uguccioni	1975
Robert H. Carper	1976

PALMER REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY	
Neil M. McDonald, Chairman	1975
Charles A. Ramadan	1976
Mary C. Krawiec	1977
Eugene S. Wright	1978
State Member (Appointed):	
Stanley J. Strzeminski	February 12, 1978
John D. O'Brien (Appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Charles A. Ramadan)	

MODERATOR	
Thomas W. Haley	1975

APPOINTED OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES FOR 1974

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BOARD OF SELECTMEN	Stanley J. Bigda	1975
TOWN ACCOUNTANT.	Stanley J. Bigda	1975

TOWN COUNSEL	Alfred J. Monahan
COURT PROSECUTOR	Walter D. Raleigh

REGISTRAR OF VOTERS

John T. Brown	Alexander R. Matera 1975
Sonia L. Thompson 1976	Edward J. Tanczar 1977

TOWN ENGINEER	Kenneth C. Sherman
CHIEF OF POLICE	William E. Holt

CONSTABLES

Harold L. Olson	Henry S. Janasiewicz
Edward J. Jasak	Howard E. Case
Daniel A. Janulewicz	Earl E. Benoit
	Palmer N. Santucci, Jr.

FIRE CHIEF AND FOREST WARDEN	Gus A. Theodore
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TOWN FIRE ENGINEERS

Gus A. Theodore	Andrew M. Galanski, Jr.	Charles R. Frydryk
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SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS	Oliver A. Beauregard
VETERANS' AGENT	Edward J. Salamon

INSURANCE BROKERS OF RECORD

Robert E. Graveline	Joseph A. Kszepka
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SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES	Charles H. Jasak
SUPERINTENDENT OF INSECT PEST CONTROL	Stanley J. Strzeminski
TREE WARDEN	Oliver A. Beauregard
SUPERINTENDENT OF PARK DEPARTMENT	Michael Russo
CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR	Robert Benedetti
AUCTIONEER	Franklin A. Gale
GAS INSPECTOR	Frank J. Zabawa
DOG OFFICER	Frederick J. Guzik, Jr.
HOUSE NUMBERING	Joseph P. Golas
MILK INSPECTOR	Frank J. Swiatlowski
INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS	Louis S. Jacek
INSPECTOR OF WIRES	Stanley J. Pietryka
BUILDING INSPECTOR (Appointed December 30, 1974)	Joseph P. Golas

FENCE VIEWERS AND FIELD DRIVERS

Arthur A. Rondeau	Stanley Parda	Paul E. Rusek
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SURVEYORS OF LUMBERS AND MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK

Howard W. Marcy	Arthur A. Rondeau
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PUBLIC WEIGHERS

Charles M. Callahan
Rose Nowak
Roland J. Fontaine
Howard Lemon
Catherine Rominak
Irene A. Raczka
Wilfred J. Marchand
Patrick C. Connor
Lisette Driscoll
Norman Lowell

Jean Tosh

Stephen Norcraz
Bernard Fontaine
Brian A. Haley
Barbara A. Kerigan
Richard E. Fontaine
John Meier
Richard V. Dulude
Michael Monahan
Andrew McNally
Charles Shinkle

GARBAGE COLLECTION Stanley P. Juda
TOWN DUMP CARETAKER James Rich

CUSTODIAN AND KEEPER OF LOCK-UP

(Palmer Town Building)

Walter A. Pietryka

CUSTODIAN, Memorial Hall Albert E. Lynch

COMMITTEES

FINANCE COMMITTEE

THREE YEAR TERM:

Ladislaus A. Baldyga
Robert S. Dupuis
Edward S. Godek
Walter J. Graham
Joseph T. Kaczmarczyk, Chairman
John T. Leacock, Secretary

Alexander J. Lemanski
Edward R. Libera
Joseph L. Marchelewicz
Peter P. Misiaszek
Palmer N. Santucci, Jr.
James F. Sullivan, Jr.

TWO YEAR TERM:

Robert E. Blanchard
Edward H. Boron
William K. Cole
Joseph P. Golas
Boguslaus S. Grzywna
James F. Hogan

Joseph A. Kszepka
Margaret A. O'Brien
Roger W. Sibley
Gary F. Stahelski
Winston L. Stred
William J. Webb, Sr.

ONE YEAR TERM:

Walter S. Borek, Jr.
Paul L. Brouillette
Norbert P. Fauteux
Chester F. Jackanowski
Clarence C. Johnson

Walter P. Wozniakowski

Walter J. Majka
Adney Russo
Stanley J. Salamon
Fred A. Silliker
Leon Wlodyka

RECREATION

Ronald F. Benoit, Chairman	1979	Lorraine I. Brothers	1979
Gerald J. Aliengena	1977	Edwin J. Rehor	1976
Richard J. DeMaio	1978	Carol Lemon	1975
Walter J. Majka	1976	Paul P. Frydryk	1977
(Appointed to fill vacancy created by resignation of Louis E. Abbate)		Charles H. Jasak	1978
		Bella L. O'Dell, 1st Alternate	1979

O.E.D.P.

(Overall Economic Development Planning)

Mitchell L. Dobek, Chairman		Mitchell Garabedian	
Bernard J. Griffin, Vice-Chairman		Mary M. McManus	
Ernest Osterman, Secretary		Charles A. Ramadon	
Alfred F. Brysh		Marcy C. Krawiec	
Harry Benedetti		Lawrence F. Donovan	
Stewart I. Swain		Edward R. Libera	
James P. Rooney		Stanley J. Strzeminski	
Neil M. McDonald	Stephanie G. Lesniewski	Donald S. Fountain	

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCING AUTHORITY

Theodore N. Bonnayer	4/1/79	Chester Gronostalski	4/1/75
Stephanie G. Lesniewski	4/1/76	Dr. James R. Flaherty	4/1/77
Gordon J. King	4/1/78		

CONSERVATION

David E. Johnson, Chairman	4/1/77	Andrew S. Roman	4/1/77
Margaret P. Ziegler	4/1/75	Richard D. Stred	4/1/75
William M. Wadas	4/1/77	Jane Golas	4/1/76
		Henry L. Lloyd	4/1/76

PALMER DEVELOPMENT AND INDUSTRIAL CORPORATION

Dr. James R. Flaherty		Chester Gronostalski	
Thomas W. Haley		Arthur C. Lincoln	
Leo F. St. Amand		Theodore N. Bonnayer	
Gordon H. Christiansen		Alexander W. Tobias	
Linwood F. Thompson		Walter M. Krawiec	

BOARD OF APPEALS

Gordon R. Dean		Term Expires	1975
Stewart I. Swain, Chairman		Term Expires	1976
Robert E. Graveline		Term Expires	1976
(M. L. Dobek appointed to fill vacancy - resigned)		Term Expires	1977
Joseph L. Marchelewicz		Term Expires	1977
Alternates:			
Dr. William Riley	1977	Attorney Joseph Topor, Jr.	1977

LOCAL BUILDING CODE BOARD OF APPEALS

(Appointed December 17, 1974)

Gordon R. Dean	1975
Stewart I. Swain	1976
Robert E. Graveline	1976
Mitchell L. Dobek	1977
Joseph L. Marchelewicz	1977
Alternates:	
Dr. William Riley	1977
Attorney Joseph Topor, Jr.	1977

PALMER AUXILIARY POLICE FORCE

Harold L. Olson, Advisor-Director

Ronald A. Bigda, President	Raymond F. Labonte, Sergeant
James T. Lynch, Treasurer	Donald L. Tassinari, Sergeant
Ronald A. Gouvin, Range Officer	Cornelius J. Murphy, Public Relations Officer
Lawrence A. Barton	Louis W. Iadisernia
Arthur A. Hebert, Jr.	Robert R. Laviolette
Roland F. Roy	Thomas M. Dranka
Raymond J. Ciani	Dianne Jackanowski
Officer assisting Sgt. Olson:	
Roger Jalbert	

Elective

PERSONNEL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Richard C. Hebert, Jr., Chairman	1977
Mitchell L. Dobek, Vice-Chairman	1977
Noe H. Monat, Secretary	1975
Mary A. Fogarty	1976
Richard C. Taylor	1976

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Marion Lis, Historian	1977
Reginald C. Gale, Chairman	1975
Doris S. Nahabedian, Treasurer	1977
Margaret P. Donovan, Secretary	1977
Daniel V. Fogarty, Jr., Vice-Chairman	1976
William M. Wadas	1976
Stephen J. Lebida	1975

Term Expires

BI-CENTENNIAL COMMISSION

Gus A. Theodore	Betty L. Philibotte
Doris S. Nahabedian	Reginald C. Gale
David C. Bussell, Chairman	Daniel V. Fogarty, Jr.
Harry H. Johnson	Nancy E. Bauer
Gordon R. Dean	Dennis S. Swierad
	Gary Hayes

COUNCIL ON AGING

C. Hebert Salter, President	1975
John H. Murray, 1st Vice-President	1977
Isabel M. Ditto, 2nd Vice-President	1975
Edward C. Hebert, Secretary	1977
Myrtle C. Davis, Treasurer	1977
Rev. James Diemand	1976
Rev. Guy M. Judkins	1976
Nathan J. Sheldon	1975
Chester F. Jackanowski	1976
Elizabeth S. Kolbusz	1976
Barbara J. Blanchard, Liason Officer	1977

AIRPORT STUDY COMMITTEE

Harold S. Crane	Bernard J. Griffin
Louis J. Wrubel	*Palmer N. Santucci, Jr.
Marilyn J. Longtine	(Finance Committee Representative)

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The year 1974 saw many changes in our town with rewarding progress made in vital areas.

The Board reorganized in March with William J. Lemanski, Chairman James L. St. Amand, Vice-Chairman and Thomas W. Haley, Clerk.

NEW CHARTER FOR TOWN OF PALMER.

At the Annual Town Meeting on March 11, 1974, the voters of the town adopted a new Charter as presented by a hard-working Charter Commission. This Charter presents many changes in our town government. For the first time in the history of Palmer, our Town Elections will be held on the third Monday in April, with the Town Meeting to be held on the fourth Monday in April.

The Board of Selectmen will be elected for three-year overlapping terms beginning with the town election on April 21, 1975. The man with the highest number of votes will hold a 3 year term, second highest, 2 year term and third highest, a 1 year term of office.

Our Finance Committee was reduced in size from 68 members to 35 members. This was recommended for greater efficiency in over-seeing town finances.

Elective Officers, other than Selectmen, that is the Treasurer and Collector of Taxes will be elected for a 3 year term of office.

The Charter further recommended creating a full-time Town Engineer and a five-member Personnel Advisory Committee for three year terms. This Committee has been diligent in their duties since their origin and are presently drawing up job descriptions of all positions within the town government.

The adoption of this Charter is one more step the town is taking toward a better government to serve all townspeople. We are indebted to the Charter Committee who gave of their time and talents so willingly.

PALMER INDUSTRIAL PARK.

At a special meeting held on May 16, 1974, the Board of

Selectmen successfully consummated the sale of \$2,200,000.00 of Palmer Industrial Park Urban Renewal Bonds to the Farmers Home Administration at an interest rate of 5% which, based on the market, was very attractive by comparison. On December 12, 1974, an additional \$375,000.00 in Urban Renewal Bonds were sold to the the Farmers Home Administration at the same 5% rate.

The Office of the Selectmen has not received progress reports relative to the construction of the Industrial Park as promised nor have financial reports been made available as agreed upon at various meetings of the two Boards. It would appear, however, that construction should be completed by early 1975.

JOINT SEWAGE TREATMENT SYSTEM - PALMER AND MONSON.

Continuing from the previous year, meetings were held during March and April, 1974 with the Monson Board of Selectmen relative to the joint sewage treatment facilities between our two communities.

On June 14, 1974, these meetings were culminated by the formal signing of an Agreement between Palmer and Monson for Joint Sewage Treatment System for the two towns.

On October 1, 1974, the Board of Selectmen executed an Agreement for treatment of the Diamond International Corporation industrial wastewater by the Town of Palmer.

The implementation schedule of the Wastewater Treatment facilities calls for the submission of final plans and specifications to the Regional Administrator by March 1, 1976 and construction of treatment facilities is scheduled to commence on March 1, 1977.

The finalization of this important step for the town is indeed one of the most progressive ones taken in the town's history. The planning prior to the culmination of this project was of a long duration and it is, with pride, that we can now state that we are on our way to completion of this necessary facility.

SANITARY LANDFILL.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Department of Natural Resources, Water Resources Commission, in a letter dated April 3, 1974, determined that there was no signif-

icant effect on flood storage or pollution to surface waters at the proposed sanitary landfill site on Emery Street. Thus, the final barrier was removed for the location of the new Sanitary Landfill. Final plans and specifications, prepared by Tighe & Bond, Inc., Consulting Engineers, were submitted to the Massachusetts Department of Public Health and approval was received on October 25, 1974 that the plans were in accordance with the Department's Land Regulations.

Simultaneously, bids for construction work were received on October 25, 1974 and the contract was awarded to the firm of Arthur Schofield, Inc. of Wayland, MA. in the amount of \$134,895.00. Work on the site was begun immediately with completion scheduled for the middle of February, 1975.

NEW COURT HOUSE.

In October of 1974, the Board began meeting with Judge Robert Moran, County Commissioners, Senator Frederick Schlosstein, Jr. and Representative John Perry regarding the need for additional court space. It was the opinion of all present at these meetings that it was not feasible to expand the present facilities and the direction should be toward a new courthouse. There have been several meetings since that time and we are still in the talking stage of this undertaking.

BUILDING INSPECTOR.

Again, for the first time in Palmer's history, pursuant to the new state law which requires all towns and cities in the Commonwealth to appoint a Building Inspector by January 1, 1975, on December 30, 1974, Joseph P. Golas was appointed as a part-time Building Inspector for the Town of Palmer.

GENERAL ACTIVITIES.

In March the Board met with various ambulance services to discuss proposals to service the town with ambulance service. On July 23, 1974, the Board signed an Agreement/Contract with Eastern Gold Cross Ambulance Service for the sum of \$15,000.00 per year for a one year contract.

In keeping with the many activities that the 1974 year held, the Board, in April, appointed a Bi-Centennial Commission to prepare the nations Bi-Centennial celebration on a town level and later, asked them to prepare a program for the Town of Palmer's Bi-Centennial activities. This

Commission is active and preparing a fine program for our town's future events. We are indebted to them for their fine spirit in arranging these activities for our nation's and town's milestone.

In April, the Board also appointed an Historical Committee which will act to protect and preserve historical sites and documents within the Town. This again, is another first in our town and the Board extends their grateful appreciation to these persons serving on this important committee.

In October, the Board of Selectmen appointed a Council on Aging to co-ordinate and carry out programs designed to meet the problems of the aging within the town. This group, after organization, has been active and will be most beneficial to the aged of the town.

During the summer of 1974 the town had 52 participants active in the Neighborhood Youth Corp. These youngsters served in various areas of the town for the summer program and they were a worthwhile asset to their respective departments.

In the latter part of 1974, the Town of Palmer applied for federal funding for jobs under the People's Employment Program, Emergency Employment Act and the Emergency Job Program. By year end, we had 21 persons positioned in various departments within our town.

In November, the Board appointed an Airport Study Committee to determine the feasibility of the town's taking over the Metropolitan Airport. This committee is still investigating this possibility and a report will be forthcoming.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETINGS IN 1974

To provide the townspeople with an accurate account of what transpired at our Special Town Meetings during the past year, we have listed the purpose and result of each of these meetings.

January 28, 1974 -

Voters turned down request for professional appraisers to revalue real and personal property.

VOTE: 192 to 81

May 13, 1974 -

It was voted to appropriate \$38,390.00 for revaluation of real and personal property in the Town of Palmer.

VOTE: 108 to 38

June 27, 1974 -

Voted to transfer funds for Chapter 90 Highway Construction.

September 30, 1974 -

Voters appropriated \$142,550.00 for site development and operations building at the Sanitary Landfill site on Emery Street, Bondsville.

September 10, 1974 - State Primary

November 5, 1974 - State Election

As you read this report we are confident you will concur that this 1974 year has been a fruitful and progressive one. Our town is moving ahead to meet it's present day needs and future challenges and this past year has proven that.

We thank all town employees, committees and townspeople for their fine spirit of co-operation which has prevailed. We look to the new year to serve you with true responsibility to our duties and the necessary wisdom to act in the best interests of the town.

William J. Lemanski
James L. St.Amand
Thomas W. Haley

Board of Selectmen

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

The following dog licenses were issued during the year ending December 31, 1974:

Males	667
Females	113
Spayed Females	337
Kennel	<u>11</u>
Total	1128

Paid Town Treasurer \$3,465.20

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The following Vital Statistics were received for record for the year ending December 1974:

Number of Births	119
Number of Marriages	136
Number of Deaths	184

Respectfully submitted,

John T. Brown, Town Clerk

VITAL STATISTICS

The attention of parents and others is called to the following Vital Statistics. It is important that the records should be correct. If any errors or omissions are discovered, the Town Clerk will deem it a favor to have the same reported to him at once, and he will make the corrections in accordance with the law. Parents should see that a proper return of birth is made as it may be of great importance in after life.

BIRTHS 1974

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name of Child</u>	<u>Parents</u>
JANUARY		
1	Tammy Ann Pittsinger	Harry M. and Frances H.
3	Shelley Beth Lajzer	Kenneth F. and Debra A.
3	Philip John Rinault	Terrance J. and Pamela A.
4	Patrick Harrington Tibbetts	Robert E. and Christine M.
6	Corrine Collins	William J. and Concetta F.
6	Shawn Patrick Duggan	Dennis P. and Sandra J.
9	Shawn Michael Drawec	William J. and Carol M.
11	Tracey Lynn Berthiaume	Raymond W. and Paula M.
15	Jennifer Ann Jorden	Gary B. and Linda G.
21	Marshall Ira Fox	Douglas E. and Connie M.
22	Crystal Harmony McBride	Michael P. and Kathleen A.
24	Diane Shelley Carter	Robert F. and Mary D.
30	Shannon Marie Martin	Peter C. and Arthea J.
30	Brenda Joy Wrubel	Edward J. and Lorette M.
31	Holly Ann Gagne	Kenneth R. and Janice E.
FEBRUARY		
1	Robyn Marean Ferraro	Terrance J. and Evelyn L.
10	Jonathan Mahoney Quenneville	Charles G. and Kathleen A.
10	Jason Mahoney Quenneville	Charles G. and Kathleen A.
13	Kathryn Marie Lech	Walter P. and Margo A.
16	Kristen Marie Marciniac	Thomas F. and Cheryl A.
20	Rachael Lee Sicard	Joseph C. and Linda L.
22	Kelly Peterson	Glenn D. and Frances
MARCH		
1	Jill Marie Izyk	Ronald J. and Catherine F.
5	Brian John Gunther	Terry J. and Linda E.
6	Jessica Lynn Dranka	Robert W. and Carolyn
12	Jason Lawrence Gelinis	Lawrence N. and Marlene D.
21	Curtis Brian Maderios	Robert A. and Nancy J.
22	Shawn Michael Gralinski	Michael E. and Beverly A.
23	Jennifer Marie Marble	Douglas R. and Elizabeth Ann
23	Kelli Theresa Silva	Ronald F. and Doreen L.
23	Waleea Marie St. Amant	Robert J. and Rose M.
30	Jerome Anthony Zuk	Gerald A. and Diane R.
APRIL		
1	Stanley Donald Fitzpatrick	Joseph D. and Diane M.
2	Sean Edward Killian	Edward M. and Sarah M.
3	Timothy Bruce Schulze	Bruce A. and Mary Jane
6	Steven John Hicks	John C. and Jane L.
9	April Dawn Bessette	Francis W. and Jeannette C.
10	Michelle Ann Tenczar	Frederick J. and Isabelle F.
16	Stephanie Marie Pietryka	Robert M. and Esther M.
17	Rachel Alice Podkowka	Michael W. and Barbara J.
17	Amy-Jo Wales	Daniel L. and Helen R.
21	Suzanne Marie Sears	Jerome T. and Carol A.
22	Jessica Jeanne Nothe	Charles G. and Jeanne M.
30	Michael James Hawk	James M. and Carol A.
30	John Everett Mumper	John H. and Linda J.
30	Kristy Lynn Sears	Chester J. and Linda M.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name of Child</u>	<u>Parents</u>
MAY		
8	Jason Allen Adamczyk	Stanley J., Jr. and Wendy J.
15	Nichole Lee Surprenant	Gilbert J. and Janice T.
16	Donna Jean Sullivan	James F. and Helen A.
17	Richard Victor Dulude III	Richard V., Jr. and Janet G. A.
17	Bruce Stanley Katawicz	Bruce C. and Sandra A.
18	Eric David Hermanson	David E. and Kathleen E.
18	Wayne Michael Kapinos	Raymond J. and Patricia A.
22	Joel Michael Sisco	Michael R. and Patricia A.
27	Laura Michelle Graveline	Thomas W. and Jeanette M.
31	Valerie Marie Czech	Michael J. and Diane M.
JUNE		
3	Joanne Pagtalunan Domingo	Mario A. and Evangeline
6	Nancy Marie Jensen	Richard R. and Joanne M.
14	Richard David Ring III	Richard D., Jr. and Brenda J.
16	Dana Travis Rossi	Glen A. and Catherine Mary
18	Julie Ann Frances Holcomb	Donald T. and Ferol J.
19	Timothy Patrick Hurley, Jr.	Timothy P., Sr. and Mildred M.
21	David Bruce Gagnon, Jr.	David B. and Mary
23	Michael Paul Young	Maurice L. and Marlene A.
JULY		
6	Christian Andrew Putz	Anthony F. C., Jr. and Carole Jean
6	Sarah Elizabeth Shultis	James S. and Sue A.
8	Theresa Bukowski	Christopher V. and Alice T.
9	Benjamin Stevens Griswold	Eugene S. and Denise C.
15	Benjamin Philip Mead	Philip M. and Sarah H.
15	Charles Stephen Sawicki	Stephen J., Jr. and Cheryl E.
23	Sean Anthony Brodeur	Roger A. and Lorraine A.
27	Wendy Lya Augusto	Jose, Jr. and Elaine M.
27	Laurie Ann Delisle	Gary F. and Nancy J.
29	Penny Lynne Soucy	Dennis G. and Sue E.
29	Timothy Douglas Zelazo	Lawrence J. and Maryann
AUGUST		
6	Jessica Catherine Minns	Thomas A. and Darlene A.
8	Karyn Lynn Greany	Martin H. and Barbara J.
10	Melissa Katherine Pekala	John M. and Susan C.
14	James William Longe	Gordon K. and Eleanor M.
20	John Joseph Mercier	Sidney R. and Eunice L.
21	John Michael Graveline	Robert C. and Gerald A.
22	Sara Barrett DiNuovo	John B. and Lorraine I.
29	Brenda Lee Boulrice	Joseph A. and Catherine M.
SEPTEMBER		
5	David Stanley Dusseault	Louis G. and Julia A.
13	Robert William Hume	John A. and Linda M.
15	Robert Richard Charpentier III	Robert R., Jr. and Joyce M.
17	Billie Jolene Foskit	Ronald J. and Deborah A.
18	Shannon Kelly Rice	David A. and Patricia A.
26	Sean Matthew MacDowell	Raymond E. and Josephine W.
OCTOBER		
1	Mitchell Robert Cormier	Robert J. and Patricia M.
3	Erin Lucille Doyle	Raymond J., Jr. and Alana C.
5	Rebecca Lynn Avis	Mark A. and Colleen A.
5	Steven Victor Boissy	Paul J. and Denise E.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name of Child</u>	<u>Parents</u>
8	Christopher James Blodgett	James K. and Linda L.
11	Christopher Jude Raymond	Ronald R. and MaryJane L.
12	Kirsten Lee Rose	Laurence W. and Debra L.
13	Elaine Marie Pascale	Roxy J. and Patricia L.
16	Sarah Marie Nowak	Stephen M. and Frances L.
16	Patrick William Sullivan	Francis John, Jr. and Judith L.
20	Jason Michael Langtange	Peter R. and Mary F.

NOVEMBER

8	Jason Kristopher Ellithorpe	Robert D. and Karen A.
18	Jennifer Rose Grant	Daryl L. and Theresa M.
21	Joseph Arseneault, Jr.	Joseph, Sr. and Mary E.
22	Mark Alan Olson	Frederick C., Jr. and Martha A.
24	Sherry Lee Gustafson	James E., Sr. and Sheila L.
25	James Richard Gowen	Richard H. and Liane D.
26	Patrick Joseph Hinchey	Joseph P. and Judith A.

DECEMBER

3	Tracie Elizabeth Piechota	Eugene P. and Joyce A.
10	Jason Michael Pinsonnault	Gary J. and Deborah A.
11	Jason George Kudriaszow	George and Pamela M.
12	Andrew Harrison Anton	David S. and Mary E.
12	Jennifer Lynn Butcher	John R. and Barbara A.
16	Duane Michael LaForest	David L. and Diane M.
17	Kimberly Ann Mayoaki	Walter F. and Diane J.
26	Eric George Pettit	Larry R. and Michelle A.
28	John Elwyn LaPoint	Justin F. and Rachel A.

MARRIAGES 1974

<u>Date</u>	<u>Groom</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Bride</u>	<u>Residence</u>
JANUARY				
5	Robert W. Gagne	Palmer	Valerie M. Dennis	Palmer
12	Eugene S. Griswold	Monson	Denise C. Fontaine	Palmer
15	Richard M. St. Pierre	Springfield	Diane M. Philibotte	Palmer
19	Thomas R. Grenier	Palmer	Theresa Sawicki	Palmer
19	Paul F. Papillon	Palmer	Barbara A. Bourbonnais	Belchertown
19	Maurice L. Young	Palmer	Marlene A. Woffenden	Palmer
20	Edward L. Mantha	Palmer	April J. LaCasse	Monson
FEBRUARY				
3	Samuel A. Bruno, Jr.	Buckland	Denise A. Tremblay	Palmer
11	Timothy P. Hurley	Palmer	Mildred M. Toney	Palmer
14	Francis J. Fowley	Worcester	Joann C. Stockmal	Palmer
15	Leo P. Coyer	Palmer	Karen P. Upton	Palmer
16	Gerald P. Cronin	Springfield	Kathy A. Marshall	Palmer
16	Robert D. Ellithorpe	Palmer	Karen A. Teasdale	Palmer
16	Edward J. Szado	Monson	Michele A. Sabourin	Palmer
19	James Wilson	Palmer	Grace J. Desoe	Springfield
23	Ronald L. Flood	Monson	Ramona A. Bousquet	Palmer
23	Stewart K. Harvey	Monson	Louise C. Taylor	Monson
23	John W. Nadolski, Jr.	Palmer	Patricia A. Tenczar	Palmer

<u>Date</u>	<u>Groom</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Bride</u>	<u>Residence</u>
MARCH				
2	Bruce E. Bates	Palmer	Lori J. Rideout	West Brookfield
9	John Pyzocha, Jr.	Palmer	Rita M. Austin	Palmer
14	William G. Borkowski	Yonkers, N.Y.	Holly L. Epperson	Selma, Ala.
16	Michael J. Czech, Jr.	Belchertown	Diane M. Dorsey	Palmer
23	Mark A. Avis	Palmer	Colleen A. Shields	Monson
23	William J. Webb, Jr.	Ware	Constance A. George	Ware
30	Richard D. Ring, Jr.	Palmer	Brenda J. Brothers	Palmer
APRIL				
6	Kenneth L. Bounds	Palmer	Sandra L. Raymond	Palmer
6	John T. Fitzgerald, Jr.	Marshfield	Barbara J. Orszulak	Palmer
6	Michael S. Irwin	Ware	Mary-Claire Stebenne	Palmer
19	Robert J. Lamb	Palmer	Linda M. Juda	Ware
20	Burton C. Koch	Belchertown	Karen M. Perry	Palmer
20	Marc A. Mazza	Pottstown, Pa.	Sandra L. Chamberland	Palmer
20	Jay R. Wyman	Ashland	Cheryl I. Haveles	Palmer
27	Samuel K. Curboy	Sturbridge	Bonnie Sheldon	Sturbridge
27	Martin H. Greany	Palmer	Barbara J. Darling	Monson
27	Robert J. Santos	Palmer	Norma J. Hatch	Monson
MAY				
3	Lawrence P. Kelliher	Palmer	Colleen E. Reagan	Palmer
4	Edward A. Bodzinski	Belchertown	Beverly A. O'Connor	Palmer
4	James R. DeSanti	Wilbraham	Judith E. Cady	Palmer
4	Thomas E. Monette	Palmer	Bonnie J. Keough	Palmer
4	Charles J. Sibik, Jr.	Palmer	Sara E. Barrett	Palmer
10	Larry R. Cate	Lewiston, Idaho	JoAnn Bennett	Palmer
11	Mark S. Hebert	Palmer	Barbara J. Girard	Springfield
11	Donald E. Stearns, Jr.	Brimfield	Linda M. Fitzgerald	Monson
18	Louis W. Roman	Palmer	Maryann C. Sekula	Palmer
18	Jon O. Warren	Ware	Patricia L. Walker	Ware
20	William J. Wilson	Stafford Springs, Conn.	Theresa E. Perron	Palmer
24	Peter M. Kszepka	Boston	Sophie-Marie Kowalik	Boston
25	Allen J. Machia	Palmer	Therese J. Fennell	Springfield
25	Robert C. McLean	Palmer	Brenda C. Worster	Warren
25	Daniel R. Monette	Monson	Wendy S. Zahara	Palmer
25	Gary J. Pinonnault	Palmer	Deborah A. Ducey	Palmer
25	Richard F. Thomas	Palmer	Marlese J. Walder	Palmer
31	Richard C. Kanozek	Palmer	Barbara A. Glass	Ware
JUNE				
1	Robert J. Magrone	Monson	Bonita L. Francis	Palmer
1	Chester M. Zajac	Palmer	Barbara M. Dascanio	Palmer
8	Thomas F. Medlock	Lawrence	Donna E. Rehor	Palmer
8	David P. Russo	Palmer	Deborah A. Stred	Palmer
8	Frederick J. Tyburski, Jr.	Palmer	Charlotte R. Anstey	Palmer
12	John T. Alonzo	Palmer	Patricia E. Gailitis	Palmer
15	Alan D. Walder	Palmer	Carol M. Jaworski	Monson
18	Lloyd E. Smart	Palmer	Elizabeth A. Plattner	Palmer
21	Robert J. Black, Jr.	Palmer	Donna L. Cresswell	East Brookfield
22	Bruce M. Benoit	Palmer	Marie A. Bernier	New Bedford
22	Rudolph W. Julian	Sturbridge	Audrey L. Wood	Palmer
22	Richard G. Pelletier	Palmer	Mary A. Zebrowski	Palmer
22	Robert F. Robbins	Palmer	Shirley A. Knight	Wales

<u>Date</u>	<u>Groom</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Bride</u>	<u>Residence</u>
23	Gene E. Johnson New Smyrna Beach, Fla.		Linda Dill	Monson
23	James T. Keefe, Jr.	Warren	Valeria T. Celona	Palmer
28	Barry M. Gannon	Palmer	Roberta B. Topor	Palmer
29	Alfred C. Carter	Palmer	Elizabeth Ivy	West Brookfield
29	Norman A. Czech	Palmer	Charlene A. Banach	Palmer
29	George W. Desmarais	Ware	Peggy A. Dow	Palmer
29	John G. Robert	Palmer	Elaine S. Desreuisseau	Palmer
JULY				
2	Robert M. Murphy	West Warren	Carol Chicoine	Old Furnace
4	Richard H. Kelcey	Pownal, Vt.	Frances A. Pytka	Palmer
6	Patrick Cavanaugh	Palmer	Betty P. LeBoeuf	Palmer
6	Carl V. Tela	Palmer	Donna L. Rys	Ware
13	Harry R. Aliengena	Palmer	Elaine C. Labonte	Palmer
20	David F. Lemire	Springfield	Deborah S. Rogers	Palmer
20	Walter J. Reynolds	Palmer	Susan V. Landino	Palmer
27	Richard E. Pisarski	Ware	Paula M. Midura	Palmer
AUGUST				
3	Paul R. Courchesne	Palmer	Carol L. Wright	Palmer
3	Richard L. Sieron	Newton, Conn.	Hella E. Shevlin	Fairfield, Conn.
10	Donald J. Desautels, Jr. Hartford, Conn.		Cheryl A. Skowyra	
10	Paul K. Eurkus	Palmer	Ann E. Pierce	Palmer
10	Roxy J. Pascale	Palmer	Patricia L. Foschini	Palmer
15	Edwin Radon	Palmer	Marjorie A. Radon	Palmer
16	Kenneth N. Pincince	Wilbraham	Sandra J. Doty	Palmer
17	Robert M. Brothers	Palmer	Kathleen M. Majka	Palmer
17	Frederick C. Hudak Torrington, Conn.		Margaret A. Breault	Torrington, Conn.
17	Frederick C. Rathbone, Jr.	Palmer	Bonny Beth McLean	Housatanic
24	Louis E. Abbate	Palmer	Kathleen Ann Kenney	Springfield
24	Scott F. Campbell	Palmer	Ruth A. Manley	Palmer
24	Soewardiman Rogodjojolono Longmeadow		Cynthia A. Baker	Palmer
25	William Joseph Austin	Belchertown	Roxanne Marie Towne	Belchertown
31	C. Christopher Hall	Cummington	Wendy Lee Story	Palmer
31	James J. Menick	New York, N.Y.	Elizabeth L. Pereira	Palmer
SEPTEMBER				
13	Thomas M. Disley	Palmer	Linda M. Morin	Springfield
13	Arthur O. Deslongchamps	Warren	Susan M. Stockwell	Palmer
13	Edwin J. Rehor, Jr.	Palmer	Sharon V. Goodreau	Palmer
14	John D. Obrzut	Palmer	Marilyn F. Burnham	Monson
14	Richard M. Worthing	Palmer	Kathleen M. Verrier	Palmer
21	Robert H. Bird	Palmer	Denise A. Gaudette	Monson
24	Erik R. Johnson	Palmer	Jessica A. Drake	Palmer
25	Donald Kalish	Palmer	Lori A. Gurecki	Palmer
28	Robert S. Drzal	Palmer	Barbara A. Carroll	Springfield
28	Lawrence J. Sweetman	Palmer	Sharon A. Daly	Palmer
OCTOBER				
4	Edward C. Hebert	Palmer	Pamela A. Peters	Palmer
12	William D. Gaver	New Salem	Nancy A. Fiske	Palmer
12	Ernest P. Rebello	Palmer	Barbara M. Coache	Palmer
12	Paul S. Sheldick South Windsor, Conn.		Deborah R. Kalita	Palmer

<u>Date</u>	<u>Groom</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Bride</u>	<u>Residence</u>
12	Valmore D. Smith	Palmer	Cynthia A. Perry	Palmer
16	Jeffrey P. Golas	Palmer	Holly K. Lizak	Palmer
19	Richard W. Yeomans III	Palmer	Susanne H. Russell	Wilbraham
26	Kenneth W. Lesniak	Monson	Sandra L. Mega	Palmer
27	Thomas M. Parnell	Holyoke	Marlene Nahabedian	Palmer

NOVEMBER

9	David C. Lunden	Palmer	Frances M. Webb	Palmer
16	Leo C. Benge, Jr.	Palmer	Karen A. Swain	Palmer
16	Stephen E. Nocrasz, Jr.	Ludlow	Nancy J. Bokun	Palmer
20	Thomas F. Spellman	Belchertown	Joyce M. Kakitis	Palmer
22	Thomas D. Ablicki	Belchertown	Deborah A. Murphy	Palmer
22	Paul J. Germain, Sr.	West Warren	Sandra L. Germain	West Warren
23	Kenneth C. Auclair	Palmer	Lynn E. Fontaine	Palmer
23	Robert E. Rondeau	Palmer	Jane M. Pluta	Ware
23	Dwight F. Young	Ludlow	Christine M. Kwasnik	Palmer
29	Cornelius J. Murphy, Jr.	Palmer	Darlene F. McCord	Palmer
30	Zenon G. Drzewianowski	Chicopee	Catherine A. Gula	Palmer
30	David C. Roche	Palmer	Collette M. Salois	Palmer
30	James L. Turner	Palmer	Diane C. Goewey	Wilbraham

DECEMBER

7	Harold W. Carpenter	Southbridge	Lois T. Chapin	Palmer
7	Robert W. Wilder, Jr.	Palmer	Debra M. McLean	Palmer
14	Thomas E. Girouard	Palmer	Elizabeth A. Demers	Palmer
15	LeRoy A. Brandorff	Palmer	Maria L. Tavers	Palmer
15	John W. Kusek	Palmer	Judy A. Zall	Ithiaca, N. Y.
28	Robert E. Calkins	Palmer	Henriette Bishop	Palmer
28	Roland A. Rebello	Palmer	Gloria H. Ruell	Springfield

DEATHS 1974

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>Months</u>	<u>Days</u>
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JANUARY

1	James R. Pierce	46	7	5
1	Stanley J. Robak	63	11	27
4	Elizabeth E. Virus	85	1	2
5	Theodore Arabik	66	3	27
5	Andrew J. Kanozek	31	--	17
6	Joseph Ziemba	72	6	6
9	Ethel V. Stewart	90	4	8
13	Sigurd T. Helseth	84	10	27
18	Andrew Krawiec	78	--	--
24	Francis E. Keegan	77	11	22
28	Mary Ruschman	79	--	7

FEBRUARY

1	Louise A. Roy	29	4	22
1	Stanley Wisniowski	83	11	1
3	George Demetropoulos	93	--	--
6	Frances Hartnett	83	5	1
11	Catherine Szlosek	78	--	--
17	Leon F. Messier	69	9	10
22	Stanley J. Ligarski	58	7	2

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>Months</u>	<u>Days</u>
MARCH				
1	Lena L. Ellis	75	3	5
1	Delvica M. Hopé	76	6	8
1	Albin S. Zajac	52	6	24
2	Albina L. Odell	68	3	19
3	Maynard L. Casey	73	1	9
3	Julia R. Czapla	79	3	12
7	Jessica A. Creelman	90	6	10
9	Dominic Francesketti	73	6	5
11	Elsie A. Blodgett	92	9	5
11	Evelyn G. Clark	68	6	15
11	Joseph J. Smart	85	7	16
17	Alyce I. Brown	80	9	13
17	Delia M. Lane	93	1	9
17	Walter T. Walczak	54	3	4
19	Scott McFadden	62	7	6
23	Mary Szpis	80	--	--
26	Arthur Ewen	80	10	4
27	Rhoda Goodman	82	8	13
30	Leon Brach	93	--	--
31	Lydia Prosperi	86	3	4
APRIL				
3	Henry E. Bengle	76	6	19
3	George D. Rogers, Jr.	48	4	9
4	Steven A. Dymek	17	1	17
5	John Adamski	81	4	17
6	Kristina Benza	79	--	23
8	Jerry A. Lamery	87	5	26
8	Donald E. Machia	55	11	--
11	Helen M. Gula	53	9	26
11	Marya W. Roman	84	--	--
12	Jacqueline Kelley	45	--	23
19	Adolph S. Les	52	8	26
19	Azilda Phaneuf	76	4	22
21	Ruth E. Lovering	81	3	3
25	Arline L. LeGrand	77	11	11
26	Rosa B. Coolbeth	93	10	8
26	William H. St. Amand	59	11	16
27	Harriette E. LaForest	61	11	17
30	Thomas A. Rivers	57	11	17
MAY				
1	Pauline E. Aniskiewicz	78	--	--
3	George F. Marby	36	--	--
5	Edna Maliszewski	63	--	--
6	Walter S. Ridz	69	2	24
7	Beatrice M. Allen	68	11	6
11	Marcella J. Shields	83	10	12
14	Leon L. Fanteux	75	8	8
15	Joseph M. Smigiel	55	--	24
17	Stanley S. Obrzut	53	2	1
19	Victor J. Muniec	83	--	--
22	Earl B. Swain	66	8	27
JUNE				
3	Hazel N. Hobson	81	2	2
3	Charles H. Sheline	60	3	9
4	Kazimierz Szucki	77	3	2

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>Months</u>	<u>Days</u>
5	John Demerski	83	3	14
7	Joseph J. Lebida	74	9	19
7	Emma E. Picard	83	--	1
8	Dennis C. Clark	19	8	27
8	Rudolph S. Kroll, Jr.	19	9	5
9	Herve A. Radon	22	9	23
9	Clarence E. Smith	72	3	1
11	Carlton S. Naylor	47	11	28
14	Paul W. Holbrook	68	7	16
16	Winifred Rodeen	78	3	4
17	Loretta Bruce	72	--	--
17	Rose E. Leroux	64	2	17
19	Florence E. Goodes	86	3	12
20	Stanislaw P. Pobieglo	85	--	--
22	Agnes Romanczyk	87	--	--
23	Moritz Piligian	73	7	8
24	Rose A. Pobieglo	86	10	11

JULY

1	Olive A. Paine	75	7	--
1	Blanche M. Rogers	78	2	18
5	Ellsworth A. Church	65	6	15
7	Frances Koziol	86	--	--
9	Arvid O. Swanson	84	10	5
12	Sophia J. Balon	84	--	--
12	Helen McMahon	85	4	11
13	William Brackinisky	74	4	22
13	Annette Quirk	62	4	--
13	Anthony J. Stolerz	86	--	--
15	Albert M. Dudek	60	8	8
15	Julia M. Lawson	88	4	19
15	James W. Reilly	73	3	10
16	Catherine M. Kos	86	--	--
18	Fedora Tougas	85	6	15
25	Mary A. Brouillette	73	5	26
25	Loretta Sullivan	79	2	19
28	Bertha B. Kawczynski	63	5	14
29	Stepha B. Eurkus	84	--	--

AUGUST

1	Mildred Carter	72	1	27
1	Joseph Starzyk	67	9	13
6	Emma C. Reed	82	1	1
9	Wallace E. Blomgren	67	3	21
13	Helen E. LaBelle	79	2	23
14	Lloyd E. Partelo	67	11	30
14	Maria D. Rio	95	9	14
19	Ernest J. Lefevre	83	5	29
20	Alice Childs	99	8	21
26	Lucy E. Capen	58	5	15
26	Edward J. Drozdowski	50	5	15
29	Thomas J. Bousquet	15	--	--
29	Anna J. Calkins	81	5	28
29	Albert S. Coolong	69	10	3
29	Rene P. Dupras	43	--	--
29	Mary E. Sullivan	71	--	--
31	Mary Gula	80	8	1
31	Mary J. Lane	76	2	13

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>Months</u>	<u>Days</u>
SEPTEMBER				
1	Sarah V. Henrich	80	11	6
1	Margaret Slone	95	--	17
1	John H. Timms	68	5	4
4	Joseph K. Romaniak	75	8	3
6	Phoebe M. Levesque	81	8	15
6	Delia Shea	82	--	--
10	Leo H. Raymond	73	1	4
11	Richard Dyba	72	--	--
11	Maryanne Walczyk	76	--	--
12	Yvonne V. Cloutier	73	6	28
17	Anthony G. Lemoine	71	10	2
17	Lillian L. Reed	88	--	--
18	Blanche Charbonneau	85	7	20
24	Flora E. Sampson Katawicz	54	4	25
26	Veronika Trakimavicus	66	8	28
27	Timothy Hurley, Jr.	--	3	8
29	Laura Henrichon	69	1	12
OCTOBER				
2	Charlotte Randlett	91	9	9
4	Mary A. Broton	85	--	--
6	Mada Bose	60	3	3
8	Birgie May Harrington	77	11	19
14	William Bennett Mace	58	2	18
14	John Swiderski	77	--	--
15	Raymond E. Pannier	72	2	24
18	Bertha Chamberlain	85	4	23
20	Roy Elwin Crofton	85	--	14
20	Mary Fitzgerald	81	6	27
20	Elsie A. Hawley	47	9	17
22	Lawrence E. Smart	63	2	16
27	Alfred G. Brown, Sr.	66	--	11
30	Edward J. Vaillancourt	27	--	12
NOVEMBER				
3	Peter A. Theodore	82	10	--
3	Stanley J. Topor	68	--	--
5	Mabel Clark	86	6	5
7	Stanley J. Sweeney	45	5	--
8	Thomas J. Santos	52	6	28
9	Edgar Willis Reynolds	66	2	--
11	Orissa D. Spear	81	5	1
12	Victor J. Petrin	82	8	15
20	Mary N. Hynes	85	1	15
26	Clara Finnegan	82	1	12
27	Marie Langevin	96	--	--
28	Lillian Kaszuba	57	4	2
29	Joseph J. Papuga	62	9	3
DECEMBER				
1	Edwin L. Wilcox	71	2	4
2	Stella S. Zebrowski	69	1	15
2	John Znoj	79	8	16
3	Frances E. Cantin	65	6	27
4	Judith A. Griswold	37	3	28
4	Marie Johnson	86	2	13
5	John M. Martin	65	--	1
7	Walfred A. Peterson	84	1	25

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>Months</u>	<u>Days</u>
10	Augustus Newman	70	2	--
13	Catherine Lindner	87	--	--
16	Lena L. Langelier	83	2	2
19	Walter E. Hodge	72	2	18
22	Everett E. Marshall, Sr.	78	8	4
25	John S. Kearney	74	--	--
26	Szymon P. Kokoszka	79	--	--
31	----- LaForest	--	--	14

REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

Transitional Period January 1 - June 30, 1974

Taxes

Outstanding June 30, 1974 Prior Years 7,078.63

Account of 1969

Outstanding January 1, 1974	4,001.17	
Interest	<u>2.43</u>	
		4,003.60
Paid Treasurer		<u>21.68</u>
Outstanding June 30, 1974		3,981.92

Account of 1970

Outstanding January 1, 1974	15,102.08	
Interest	<u>17.82</u>	
		15,119.90
Paid Treasurer	76.42	
Abatements	<u>161.95</u>	
		238.37
Outstanding June 30, 1974		<u>14,881.53</u>

Account of 1971

Outstanding January 1, 1974	14,549.64	
Motor Vehicle excise taxes		
abated after payment	13.20	
Interest	<u>121.66</u>	
		14,684.50
Paid Treasurer	841.10	
Abatements	<u>174.23</u>	
		1,015.33
Outstanding June 30, 1974		<u>13,669.17</u>

Account of 1972

Outstanding January 1, 1974	57,097.49	
Additional Assessors warrants		
to be collected	1,304.82	
Motor Vehicle excise taxes		
abated after payment	173.81	
Real Estate taxes abated		
after payment	8,455.61	
Interest	<u>3,627.27</u>	
		70,659.00

Paid Treasurer	42,028.38	
Abatements	10,955.24	
Added to Tax Title	<u>2,060.87</u>	
		55,044.49
Outstanding June 30, 1974		<u>15,614.51</u>

Account of 1973

Outstanding January 1, 1974	368,666.70	
Additional Assessor's warrants to be collected	61,579.32	
Motor Vehicle excise taxes abated after payment	3,868.83	
Real Estate taxes abated after payment	53,792.23	
Interest	<u>7,230.47</u>	
		495,137.55
Paid Treasurer	289,456.27	
Abatements	79,362.10	
Added to Tax Title	<u>2,005.65</u>	
		370,824.02
Outstanding June 30, 1974		<u>124,313.53</u>

Account of 1974

Assessor's Warrants to be collected	1,730,130.60	
Motor Vehicle taxes abated after payment	27.70	
Personal Property taxes abated after payment	130.77	
Real Estate taxes abated after payment	<u>10,830.47</u>	
		1,741,119.54
Paid Treasurer	786,022.97	
Abatements	99,545.09	
Added to Tax Title	<u>3,551.97</u>	
		889,120.03
Outstanding June 30, 1974		<u>851,999.51</u>

Trailer Coach Fees:

Received from January 1 through June 30, 1974	2,910.00
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Paid Treasurer	2,910.00
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Respectfully submitted,

Stephen J. Dranka
Collector of Taxes

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Following is my report for the 18-month fiscal year beginning January 1, 1973 and ending June 30, 1974.

Balance on hand January 1, 1973 \$421,749.96

RECEIPTS

Taxes - 1973/1974	3,750,760.85
Taxes - Previous years	352,460.33
Tax Title Redemptions	48,524.81
Trailer Park Fees	7,824.00
Federal Withholding Taxes	468,064.63
State Withholding Taxes	138,968.31
County Retirement	44,453.63
Blue Cross - Blue Shield	83,033.40
Group Life Insurance	7,100.25
Redemption of Certificate of Deposit	1,250,000.00
Sewer Loan - Main Street, Three Rivers	113,000.00
Anticipation of Tax Revenue Loans	2,500,000.00
Anticipation of Serial Loan - Urban Renewal	2,200,000.00
Serial Loan - Urban Renewal	2,200,000.00
Renewal of Anticipation of Serial Loan - Urban Renewal	1,200,000.00
Federal Revenue Sharing Funds	81,537.00
Transfer of Federal Revenue Sharing Funds (1) to Police Salaries Account	166,507.00
(2) For Defense of the Cases Pending at Hampden County Superior Court, Santucci et al vs. Board of Assessors, et al, Special Town Meeting, January 28, 1974	7,000.00
Grants - Federal:	
Title I - ESEA - 1965	42,172.00
Assistance to Local Educational Agencies Children of Low Income families	
Title II - ESEA	7,990.05
Bureau of Library Extension	
Title VI - Education Handicapped Children	2,000.00
General Fund Reimbursements - State	
Veterans' Benefits	27,982.46
Loss of Taxes - Abatements to Veterans	2,412.00
School Transportation	136,477.93
Vocational Students Transportation	2,280.00

High School Building Construction	
Assistance	33,468.00
Aid to Free Public Libraries	8,760.00
Regional School District Aid	51,215.00
Peddler's License	17.00
Highway Fund - Chapter 497, Section 13	50,142.19
Flood Relief - Bondsville Water District	6,043.48
Vocational Education	15,002.00
Tuition of Vocational Students	16,359.00
Tuition and Transportation of Pupils	735.21
Division of Family and Child Services	
Decennial Census Cost 1971 - Chapter 812	2,968.75
Maintenance Vocational Schools	14,149.00
General Fund Distributions - State	
Machinery Basis	104,065.64
Special Education Programs C58 18A	36,635.00
Loss of Taxes - State Properties	4,445.04
School Aid - Chapter 70	630,353.68
School Aid - Chapter 70	9,654.98
1972 Entitlement Adjustment	
Local Aid Fund (Lottery)	63,672.76
Distribution - State	
Highway Fund - Sec. 20 Ch. 1140 1973	68,416.00
Highway Improvement Loan - 1967	4,203.50
Ch 616 S6	
Cities and Town School Zones	
Public Works Highway - Sec. 22 Ch. 1140	114,027.00
Act 1973	
Other State Receipts	
Chap. 90 - Highways	22,585.21
Welfare Office Rental	600.00
Receipts from County	
Chap. 90 - Highways	4,997.75
Rental of District Court	9,000.00
Court Fines	5,349.80
Dog Fund Reimbursement	2,104.00
Dog Refund	2,300.78
Dog Licenses for County	5,573.50
Licenses, Fees, Permits:	
Board of Selectmen	3,215.67
License Commission	19,261.00
Board of Health	638.50
Gas Inspections	283.00

Town Clerk	690.00
Planning Board	1,316.00
Sealer	1,125.10
Police Department	3,081.00
Dog Officer	204.00
Board of Appeals	145.00
Conservation Commission	125.00
Wire Inspector	99.00
Other Receipts:	
School Lunch	268,518.40
School Athletic Association	8,063.74
Highway Department - Sewer Connections	3,200.00
Rental of School Facilities	231.00
Memorial Hall Rental	484.00
Use of Lock-Up	1,025.00
Cemetery Department	4,335.00
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	2,300.00
Auction and Sale of Bicycles and Parking Meters	446.50
Reimbursement for Damage to Highway Property	1,039.14
Reimbursement for Damage to Traffic Signal Lights	395.85
Restitution for Damage to Town Building (Police Dept.)	177.00
Sale of Merchandise - School Department	5.00
Public Telephone Commission	37.56
Premium on TAN Note	2.00
Reimbursement for Confinement in Lock-Up	12.00
Cablevision Franchise Fee	2,245.50
Return of Advertising Cost - Intent to take Tax Title	6.09
Settlement of Anti-Trust Action	498.53
Off Duty Work Detail - Police Department	11,005.50
Mass. Blue Cross, Inc. - Agreement #632 Refund	16,628.00
Boston Mutual Life Insurance Co. - Dividend	919.00
Diamond International Corp. - Gift that covers all studies to determine design parameters to include Palmer Plant effluent in future town treatment facility	24,000.00
Interest on Trust Funds:	
Merrick Fund	67.81
Thompson Fund	76.26
Fuller Fund - Schools	80.15

Fuller Fund - Parks	160.36
Conservation Fund	1,259.94
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	7,740.07
Interest on:	
Taxes	21,757.21
Savings Accounts	13,082.93
Certificate of Deposit	8,739.58
Refunds:	
Veterans' Services	7,536.94
Interest on Tax Anticipation Note	158.87
School Department	224.01
Motor Vehicle Excise	19.26
Treasurer's Department	15.25
Law and Claim	11.65
Blue Cross	94.41
Selectmen's Department	267.00
Receipts	\$16,564,442.70
Receipts plus Cash on January 1, 1973	16,986,192.66
Less Disbursements during fiscal year	16,206,025.54
Balance on Hand June 30, 1974	\$ 780,167.12

SUMMARY OF FEDERAL REVENUE SHARING FUNDS

RECEIPTS

Entitlement #1	\$ 84,970.00	
Interest	3,757.78	
Entitlement #2	81,537.00	
Interest	4,585.83	
Entitlement #3	97,759.00	
Interest	5,322.75	
Entitlement #4	147,297.00	
Interest	<u>3,200.24</u>	
TOTAL		\$428,429.60

DISBURSEMENTS

Entitlement #1		
Transfer to Police		
Salaries Account	84,970.00	
Entitlement #2		
Transfer to Police		
Salaries Account	81,537.00	
Entitlement #3		
For defense of the cases		
pending at Hampden County		
Superior Court, Santucci		
et al vs. Board of Assessors		
et al, Special Town Meet-		
ing, January 28, 1974	7,000.00	
TOTAL		<u>173,507.00</u>
Balance - June 30, 1974		\$254,922.60

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph S. Gill
Town Treasurer

REPORT OF THE ASSESSORS

The Board of Assessors submits the following report for the period ending December 31, 1974:

Under Chapter 849 of the Acts and Resolves of 1969, the General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts authorized the mandatory transition of the municipal fiscal year from the calendar year to:

- A. an eighteen (18) month transitional period and thereafter to
- B. a July 1 to June 30 fiscal year which would coincide with the State Fiscal Year.

Summary for determining Tax Rate for balance of transitional period.

January 1, 1974 to June 30, 1974

A. 1/3 of the Net amount to be raised	\$1,600,365.17
B. Total Valuation as of January 1, 1974	16,836,410.00
C. Tax Rate	95.10
D. Overlay Increase	777.61

Valuation for 1974

PERSONAL PROPERTY

Stock in Trade	\$ 123,650.00
Machinery	2,429,745.00
Live Stock	5,135.00
All Other	<u>80,285.00</u>

Total Personal Property

\$ 2,638,815.00

REAL ESTATE

Land	2,471,710.00
Buildings	11,725,885.00
Total Real Estate	14,197,595.00
Total Valuation January 1, 1974	\$16,836,410.00

Number of Live Stock	
Horses	44
Cows	387
Bulls	4
Heifers	147
Steers	9
Sheep	9
Fowl	400

Number of acres of land	18,338
Number of dwelling houses	2,687

1975 FISCAL YEAR RECAPITULATION July 1, 1974 through June 30, 1975

To be raised by taxation	\$4,179,381.93
From Available Funds	
Voted December 10, 1973	45,815.00
Voted January 28, 1974	7,000.00
Voted March 11, 1974	150,000.00
Voted March 11, 1974	4,380.00
Voted March 11, 1974	30,000.00
Free Cash	
Revenue Sharing	
Revenue Sharing	
State Aid to Libraries	
Overlay Reserve	

Voted March 11, 1974	Highway Funds Ch. 1140 Sec. 22	114,027.00
Voted March 11, 1974	Free Cash	36,400.00
Voted May 13, 1974	Free Cash	43,390.00
Voted June 27, 1974	Free Cash	6,791.00
School Lunch Program		20,789.06
Public Libraries		4,380.00
Special Education Grant		17,991.00
Lower Pioneer Regional Planning Commission		1,401.60
County Tax		256,258.75
County Tax Underestimate 1973-74		11,736.06
State Recreation Area		47,406.12
State Audit		3,260.24
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Bills		1,688.85
Air Pollution Control District		1,089.58
Air Pollution Underestimate 1973-1974		22.80
Special Education		19,000.00
Overlay		<u>204,551.91</u>

\$ 5,206,760.90

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

1975 Fiscal Year		1,159,678.98
Estimated Receipts certified by Commissioner		
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise		350,000.00
Licenses		12,000.00
Fines		4,000.00
Interest on Taxes and Assessments		10,000.00
Trailer Coach Fees		<u>4,500.00</u>
Total Estimated Receipts		1,540,178.98

State Recreation Area Overestimate

5,370.25

From Available Funds

Voted December 10, 1973	Free Cash	45,815.00
Voted January 28, 1974	Revenue Sharing	7,000.00
Voted March 11, 1974	Revenue Sharing	150,000.00
Voted March 11, 1974	State Aid to Libraries	4,380.00
Voted March 11, 1974	Overlay Reserve	30,000.00
Voted March 11, 1974	Highway Funds Ch. 1140 Sec. 22	114,027.00
Voted March 11, 1974	Free Cash	36,400.00
Voted March 11, 1974	Free Cash to Reduce Rate	75,000.00
Voted May 13, 1974	Free Cash	43,390.00
Voted June 27, 1974	Free Cash	6,791.00
Estimated Receipts and Available Funds		<u>2,058,352.23</u>

Net amount to be raised by taxation on property

3,148,408.67

1975 Fiscal Year Tax Rate \$187.00

RECAPITULATION FOR MOTOR VEHICLE AND TRAILER EXCISE

<u>Date of Commitment 1974</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Valuation</u>	<u>Excise Tax</u>
June 4	1526	\$ 932,750.00	\$ 61,361.16
June 24	1642	1,003,400.00	66,071.55
July 23	1467	895,400.00	59,045.28
October 23	2371	1,985,750.00	125,487.38
December 26	<u>1452</u>	<u>1,689,850.00</u>	<u>82,465.57</u>
Excise Tax Rate \$66.00 Per M	8458	6,507,150.00	394,430.94

ABATEMENTS GRANTED

1970 Levy	Personal Property	\$ 161.95
1971 Levy	Personal Property	167.08
1972 Levy	Real Estate	8,137.91
1972 Levy	Personal Property	16.70
1973 Levy	Personal Property	984.30
1973 Real Estate Levy		63,374.45
1974 Levy	Personal Property	708.50
1974 Real Estate Levy		8,774.86
1975 Fiscal Year	Personal Property	1,393.14
1975 Fiscal Year	Real Estate Levy	17,254.49

EXEMPTIONS GRANTED

1972 Levy	Elderly	342.35
1973 Levy	Veterans	386.00
1974 Levy	Veterans	27,386.85
1975 Levy Fiscal Year	Veterans	53,477.89
1974 Levy	Elderly	47,177.61
1974 Levy	Blind	1,829.73
1974 Levy	Widows	8,730.18
1975 Fiscal Year	Elderly	93,506.09
1975 Fiscal Year	Blind	3,971.88
1975 Fiscal Year	Widows	16,035.25

ABATEMENTS GRANTED
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE

1971 Levy
1972 Levy
1973 Levy
1974 Levy

51.43
2,914.10
23,376.85
32,717.80

Respectfully submitted,

Stanley J. Swiatlowski
Alvin C. Rondeau
William A. Coulter

Board of Assessors

JURY LIST

PRECINCT A

Anair, Lionel A.	Kostreba, Edward P.
Backus, George A.	LaVallie, Carole A.
Blazejowski, Michael P.	Lenard, Roy E.
Burns, Dorothy M.	Longtine, Marilyn J.
Chaples, George R., Jr.	Lundquist, Ernest V.
Chase, Walter L.	Lynch, William E.
Castledine, Sylvia W.	Malzenski, Joseph J.
Chouinard, Edith M.	McDonald, William L.
Christiansen, Elsie M.	McGuirk, Ernestine P.
Davis, Myrtle C.	Miceli, James
DeMaio, Richard J.	Molleur, Reginald E.
Ditto, Arthur W., Jr.	Murphy, Cornelius J., Sr.
Donachie, James P.	Nacsin, Joseph M.
Doyle, John F.	O'Grady, Florida D.
Dupont, Richard R.	Phillips, Janet O.
Fegan, Shirley O.	Prater, Harriet N.
Finch, Bernard A.	Russo, Adney A.
Gale, Reginald C.	Skowyra, Margaret E.
Grady, John R.	Staback, Walter P.
Gralinski, Juanita J.	St. Amand, Bernice F.
Gula, Edward S.	Supka, Mary C.
Hickey, Francis J.	Thatcher, Harold F.
Iadersernia, Lewis W.	Thomas, Edgar F.
Jasak, Stanley J.	Trombly, Mary A.
Koss, Edward J.	Tyler, Warren E.
Kostolecki, John F.	Vreeland, George C.
Wilkinson, Robert C.	

PRECINCT B

Amell, Louis	Pietryka, Julia B.
Austin, Mary L.	Robak, Ralph J.
Bleau, Myrna M.	Salamon, Stanley J.
Bragiel, Frank W.	Salamon, Stephen J.
Gilman, Edward F.	Siok, Paul R.
Koziol, Theodore A.	Thompson, Richard E.
McCloskey, Walter E.	Tyburski, Fred S.
Murray, Earl J.	Wadas, Sophie C.
Pietryka, Francis J.	Willard, Robert W.
Zebrowski, Marlene J.	

PRECINCT C

Ammann, Joseph	Hryniewicz, Alexander
Aniskiewicz, Ann E.	Janosz, John E., Jr.
Barry, William C.	LaRose, Louis J.
Barton, Raymond E.	LeClair, Myrella B.
Benedetti, Robert	Marhelewicz, Mary C.
Bengle, Leo C.	McKee, Kendrick
Bonnayer, Marguerite E.	McKee, Lydia L.
Bukowski, Victor W.	Olearczyk, Edwin M.
Church, Louise F.	Orszulak, Frederick W.
Cole, Robert	Ouhl, John C.
Gilbert, William L., Jr.	Picahrd, Leo J.
Giza, Catherine R.	Rex, Richard O.
Golas, Irene M.	Sabourin, Edna E.
Gondek, Edward J.	Stokosa, Joseph T.
Harp, Lester P., Jr.	Strempek, Edward L.
Holt, Margaret E.	Swiatlowski, Stanley J.
Witkowski, Joseph S.	

PRECINCT D

Chmura, Peter A.	McCollum, June R.
Donovan, Mary C.	O'Dell, Kenneth J.
Jackanowski, Chester F.	O'Dell, Maurice R.
Kowalski, Edward R.	Pollack, Valeria A.
Lamb, Elmer F.	Romanik, Monica T.
Mastalerz, Joseph E.	Shea, John J.
Mastalerz, Linda J.	Squires, Richard L., Sr.

REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

I hereby submit my annual report of the police department for the year ending December 31, 1974.

A total of 524 complaints were issued against 348 defendants, 307 males and 41 females. Delinquent complaints were issued against 17 males and 5 females. The number of defendants was reduced because of the fact that being drunk in public is no longer a cause for arrest. The person is merely brought to the station for Protective Custody and either turned over to the Detox Center or kept in custody until such time when it will be safe for release.

Due to the fact the speed limit was reduced to 55 miles per hour, there was a slight decrease in automobile accidents this year. A total of 131 accidents were investigated which included 94 Property Damage, 34 Personal Injury in which 62 persons were injured and 2 Fatal accidents which took the lives of 2 people.

Since we now use 4-door sedans instead of Ranch Wagons as cruisers, we find we are getting excellent service by technicians at the scene of any accident by the operators of the Gold Cross Ambulance crew, who transport injured operators or passengers to the hospital.

A new set of traffic lights was installed at the intersection of Park and Central Streets. A second dispatcher, hired under the Public Employment Program, covers the midnight to eight A. M. shift and releases a regular patrolman for street duty. Both civilian dispatchers are working out very well. One new officer was added in December while another was granted a leave of absence, so we are left with the same number of men which includes three sergeants and eleven patrolmen.

I wish to thank your Honorable Board, the townspeople and all the police officers who cooperated with me so well during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

William E. Holt
Chief of Police

LIST OF OFFENSES PROSECUTED IN PALMER IN 1974

Crimes Against Persons:

Assault and Battery	26	
Assault Indecent	1	
Assault with Intent to Rob	2	
Murder	1	
Robbery	6	
Threats and Intimidation	1	
Total		37

Crimes Against Property:

Breaking and Entering and Larceny	21	
Larceny and Attempt	43	
Malicious Mischief	20	
Trespassing	6	
Using Motor Vehicle Without Authority	15	
Receiving Stolen Goods	4	
Total		109

Crimes Against Public Order:

Adultery	2	
Contributing to Delinquency	1	
Disturbing the Peace	8	
Driving to Endanger	22	
Driving Under Influence	61	
Dumping Rubbish on Highway	1	
Fire Laws	5	
Fish and Game	3	
Idle and Disorderly	25	
Indecent Exposure	1	
Lewdness	1	
Liquor Laws	5	
Motor Vehicle Laws	217	
Narcotics and Drugs	18	
Non-support	3	
Non-payment of Wages	1	
Possession of Burglar Tools	2	
Weapons Carrying	2	
Total		378

Grand Total 524

Parking Tickets Issued 143

Speeding Warnings Issued on Radar 535

Dispositions:

Fined	173
Filed	31
House of Correction Suspended	36
Probation	41
Committed House of Correction	22
Bound Over Grand Jury	6
Dismissed	120
Pending	95

REPORT OF THE AUXILIARY POLICE ASSOCIATION

As head of this unit, I would like to report at this time of the worthy cause this unit has performed. As a unit and individuals, we assist the regular police department in the performance of their duties. Under their guidance and supervision we patrol the streets and check summer houses and businesses.

We are a non-paying organization and donate all our time to the helping of the police department in the performance of their duties.

In the past year we have donated a 1973 Pontiac cruiser, which we use in the performance of our duties.

I would like to thank the Board of Selectmen for all their guidance and help in establishing this worthy organization. Also, thanks go to everyone connected with the Palmer Police Department for their help and guidance. Without their help we could not have started.

Respectfully submitted,

Raymond F. LaBonte
Sergeant, Palmer
Auxiliary Police

REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report as Forest Fire Warden of the Town of Palmer for the year 1974.

This department responded to a total of 34 brush, grass, and forest fires in the Town during the year.

This department also had to respond to several complaints of people burning without permits, and also in violations of the Air Pollution laws. Again I would like to remind the Townspeople that a burning ban is in effect and is being strictly enforced.

Last year between March 15, and April 15, this department issued 214 permits for outside fires, and a few permits were issued during the rest of the year. These permits are issued with certain restrictions.

Again, this year between March 15, and April 15, The Pioneer Valley Air Pollution Control is planning to lift the burning ban, (under certain conditions). A permit is still needed, and they may be obtained by seeing me. Any information may be had by calling me at home (36352), or at work (39105).

At this time I would like to thank all the other Chiefs and men from other Fire Departments that have helped us during the year.

I also wish to thank your Honorable Board and the Police Department for the cooperation and help I received during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

Gus A. Theodore
Forest Fire Warden

P. S. I hate to tell you and the taxpayers this, but I think we should consider purchasing a new truck. The one we have now is 13 years old, and with the rough work it does, it has about had it.

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

The year 1974 again showed an increase in book circulation. The total net gain over 1973 was 3,860. All areas showed an increase -- juvenile books, adult fiction and adult non-fiction, plus magazines for both adult and juvenile. We are happy that more people are using the facilities of the library and the bookmobile. It has also become more apparent that the library service has been expanded beyond the mere lending of books. More people are also being served through receiving assistance and answers to a wide variety of questions and reference material.

The microfilming of the Palmer-Monson Journal Registers which began in 1973 was completed this year. Because of lack of space at the library and proper storing conditions, eighty-seven bound volumes of the original newspaper have been temporarily stored in our Town Administration Building. It is important to the Town and Historical Society to preserve these papers which date back to the year 1850.

The PRE-SCHOOL STORY HOUR sponsored by the library is in its third year of operation and has proven to be enthusiastically received and in demand. There are approximately 60 children who are currently benefiting by this program. There are two sessions held weekly at St. Ann's School in Three Rivers. Mrs. Moran, who has a degree in Early Childhood Education and several years experience working with young children, prepares the program and conducts the weekly sessions with the assistance of Mrs. Bauer.

The STORY HOUR held after school once a month at the main library for primary grade children is fortunate to continue to have Mrs. Odneal as the story lady. There is no better way for stimulating reading, developing the imagination, sharing truth, humor and beauty than through this medium. We are grateful to Mrs. Odneal and to the students of the Future Teachers Club of Palmer High School who volunteer their services to conduct the STORY HOUR at the schools in the villages, thus giving all children an opportunity for this wonderful experience.

In an effort to bring other cultural events to the library, Mrs. Helen Marcy was engaged in March to give a lec-

ture on photography. Her theme was based on how to take better and more interesting pictures of family, friends, travel and "favorite things". Her most informative talk was accompanied by many beautiful slides. Those who attended the lecture left with enthusiasm and many new ideas and tips on how to take better pictures.

In April, we brought Mrs. Annie Maynard from Monson to speak on HOME GARDENING. Her talk was on an informal level and was sprinkled with warmth and a back-to-nature feeling. She covered both vegetable and flower gardening and much was gained from this timely topic. Many questions were asked and Mrs. Maynard, based on her own experience, offered good suggestions and helpful hints on how to become better gardeners.

Since its inception in 1971, the annual ART SHOW sponsored by the library and held at the library quarters continues to be a success. The art students of Palmer High School are given the opportunity to exhibit their talents locally. Their work includes pottery, paintings, print making, graphic arts, drawings and photography. The exhibits entered are of a high caliber, and some of the students have been given state and national recognition in student art competitions. Following last year's art show, David Ducomb and Leo Boudreau were chosen to enter their work in national competition in New York City. If you have not had the opportunity to see the fine work of our young people, you should make every effort to attend this year's art show.

The SUMMER READING program for our young people draws many of them to register and encourages reading. Because Dominique, a TV personality, was so well received by the children last year, he again presented a puppet show for them at their annual party in September.

The LIBRARY BUILDING NEEDS COMMITTEE formed in 1973 met several times during 1974. Subcommittees were chosen for in-depth studies of various areas which include sources of state and federal financial aid, present library conditions, present and future needs of our library, suitable locations for a new library, feasibility of expanding and renovating our present library building. At the present time, consideration is being given to have a COMPARATIVE STUDY and RECOMMENDATIONS report done professionally. The committee also met with the Board of Select-

men to inform them of the committee's plans and intentions. The committee is making every effort to explore every option available so that the best and wisest recommendations are made in the interest of the Town and the library.

With the coming of the BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION, a committee was formed from the Library Association Members to make plans and arrange for exhibits to be held at the library throughout this period. The library has been in communication with the BICENTENNIAL COMMISSION advising them that the library will cooperate with the committee, and we have encouraged them to use the library as an Informational and Resource Center or for displays.

I am grateful to the many people who contribute in making the library serviceable and effective in the life of our community. A very special thank you to Mrs. Catherine Young and her efficient staff for their continued devoted service to the community and for their personal interest in the library. A deep appreciation also goes to our Board of Selectmen, Finance Committee, all School Departments, the Library Association Members and the Officers and Trustees of the Palmer Public Library for their cooperation, interest and support.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Heropoulos
President
Board of Trustees

1974 PRESIDING OFFICERS AND TRUSTEES OF THE
PALMER PUBLIC LIBRARY

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Vice President - Lois Reynolds
Treasurer - Michael Moran
Secretary - Alice Piechota
Auditor - Jerome West

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Alphonse Murray, Jr.
George Nicholas
Ursula St. Amand

Patricia Smith
Patrick Turley
Carol Holden - Appointed by the Board of Selectmen

Staff Members of the Palmer Public Library:

Catherine Young - Head Librarian
Constance Coulter - Assistant Librarian and Cataloger
Edna Rehor - Bookmobile Librarian
Frances Bigda - Children's Librarian and Assistant
Bookmobile Librarian

Clerks:

Evelyn Schardel
Geraldine Molleur

REPORT OF DUTCH ELM DISEASE

Honorable Board of Selectmen
Town of Palmer, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

Amount appropriated	\$5,450.00
Expenditures	3,706.75
Balance January 1, 1975	<u>\$1,743.25</u>

During the past year, 72 diseased elm trees were removed in accordance with the sanitation recommendations of the Department of Natural Resources.

A few so called cures of the Dutch Elm Disease were offered on the open market, but none have proved effective. Removal of dead and diseased trees are the recommended practices.

Respectfully submitted,

Stanley J. Strzeminski
Superintendent
Insect Pest Control

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

REPORT FOR THE EIGHTEEN MONTH TRANSITIONAL
PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 1973 --
ENDING JUNE 30, 1974

To the Board of Selectmen:

The report of the Cemetery Commissioners for the period of eighteen months ending June 30, 1974 is herewith submitted:

There were sixty-one burials during this time, and the following was spent for the care and upkeep of the four cemeteries in the Town of Palmer under the care of the Commissioners.

	<u>18 Month Appropriation</u>	<u>Expenditures 1-1-73 - 6-30-74</u>
Labor and Clerk	\$31,507.13	\$30,383.77
All Others	<u>7,719.00</u>	<u>6,658.91</u>
Balance returned to Town		\$ 2,183.45

During the year, the following totals were received by this department:

Receipts from Cemeteries	\$ 6,690.00
22 New Perpetual Care Funds	3,450.00
Interest on 657 Perpetual Care Funds	<u>7,740.07</u>
Total Receipts	\$17,880.07
paid to the Town Treasurer	

Respectfully submitted,

George S. Gay, Chairman
Walter L. Chase
Robert E. Geer
Cemetery Commissioners
by Robert G. Faulkner,
Clerk

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Palmer, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The Palmer Board of Health herewith submits this report for the calendar year ending December 31, 1974.

On the dates shown herewith, Immunization Clinics were held by the Board of Health in 1974 for the following communicable diseases:

Mumps	January 26
Rubella	February 23
Poliomyelitis	March 23
Poliomyelitis	June 8
DPT and DT - Poliomyelitis - Mumps	
Rubella - Combination (Measles & Rubella)	September 21
Influenza for Elderly	October 21
DPT and DT - Poliomyelitis - Mumps	
Measles - Rubella	November 16

(DPT is Diphteria, Pertusis, Tetanus)

(DT is Diphteria, Tetanus)

Reportable diseases:

Chicken Pox	17	Salmonella	1
Dog bites	70	Varicella	2
German Measles	4	Cat bites	4
Mumps	2	Gonorrhea	6
Scarlet Fever	2	Syphilis	1
Hepatitis	1	Hamster Bite	1
Streptococcal		Flying Squirrel bite	1
Sore Throat	56		

Deaths reported during 1974

	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
0 to 10 years	1	0	1
10 to 20 years	1	0	1
20 to 30 years	1	0	1
30 to 40 years	2	0	2
40 to 50 years	3	1	4
50 to 60 years	7	3	10
60 to 70 years	17	7	24

70 to 80 years	17	17	34
80 to 90 years	13	28	41
90 to 100 years	<u>2</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>10</u>
	64	64	128

Licenses issued:

	<u>Receipts</u>
Septic tank	\$300.00
Ice cream	25.00
Milk, oleo	31.50
Bottling	60.00
Disposal works installers	65.00
Funeral Director	6.00
Removal of garbage	6.00
Camp and swimming pool	10.00
Camp	10.00
Trailer park	10.00
Plumbing	<u>159.00</u>
Total	\$682.50

Regulations for percolation tests were adopted by the Palmer Board of Health on August 7, 1974.

On September 5, 1974, under the provision of Chapter 111, Section 31 of the Massachusetts General Laws, the following regulation became effective:

All percolation tests will only be performed during the periods April 1 to June 15 or October 1 to November 15, providing that all frost is out of the ground.

Respectfully submitted,

Maurice R. LePage, D.S.C.,
Chairman

Donald H. Cavanaugh
Frederick J. Lis

REPORT OF THE PARK COMMISSIONERS

The Park Commissioners hereby submit their annual report for 1974.

Regular meetings of the Park Commission are held on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 P.M. in the Town Administration Building.

With the current economic recession of the country being what it is, the demand for the use of the town recreation facilities continues to increase. That is why the Park Commissioners are continually working in an effort to expand its facilities.

One proof of this was the purchase of 7 1/4 acres of land on Water Street, Depot village, Palmer, on November 2, 1974. The commissioners are now seeking funds whereby they will be able to hire a consulting engineering firm to lay out the best possible recreation facility on that parcel of land, so as to help alleviate the already over-taxed conditions on Legion Field and other park areas.

During the year of 1974, approval was received from the Department of Natural Resources on our application for re-imbursement of funds for the purchase of the Water Street property. Funds will return to the general fund - approximately \$5,000.00

Also, in September 1975, the Park Commissioners met with the Soil Conservation Service, U. S. Agricultural Department to implement Phase 3 of our Recreation Plan and development of the Water Street property.

An article was submitted for \$4,000.00 for the engineering development of Water Street in the 1975 Town Warrant. The Soil Conservation Committee developed plans and locations of a various recreation facility including a football field, two baseball fields, tot playground area, walking trails and several other ideas. Such plans were submitted to the Palmer Selectmen and their approval was overwhelming.

Several more pieces of mini-playground equipment were purchased for Endelson Playground in Bondsville. These will be installed when the 1 1/4 acres of land donated to the Park Department by the J. B. Williams Company of Charleston, S. C., is officially accepted at our next reg-

gular town meeting on April, 1975.

After a year of absence because of the energy crisis, the Nativity Scene at Hryniewicz Memorial Park, Three Rivers, was returned by the Three Rivers Chamber of Commerce and as in the past attracted much attention.

Because of the rising cost and maintenance of fir plank-ing for the portable bleachers at Legion Field, the department purchased 28 - 2" x 10" aluminum planks. This procedure of purchasing a few each year will continue until all the wooden planks have been replaced thereby eliminating further maintenance.

The federal program "Neighborhood Youth Corps" under the supervision of Mr. William Gallagher, was again available to the department. Eight boys, ranging in age from 15 to 21 years, worked at Burleigh Park clearing brush, improving trails, painting fences and working at other jobs which could not otherwise have been done by the regular employees.

Warm weather this past winter kept skating on the five rinks at a minimum.

Fifty Shop students from the Industrial Arts Department of Palmer High School worked vigorously and enthusiastically for one week at new Burleigh Park, building a beautiful bridge of hardwood mounted on stone foundation gathered from stonewalls and old house foundations, raprapped the banks of the brook, cleaned a section of the woods of underbrush. The Commission would like to thank Mr. Edward Libera, Head of the Industrial Arts Department at Palmer High School, his instructors Mr. Dennis Swierad and Mr. Russell Webb, and the fifty boys for their time and effort contributed to this program.

On November 18, 1974, the department received one man under the Public Employment Program. This man will work on the department for a period of two years or until federal funds for this program are exhausted.

Mr. Elliot Chase of the University of Massachusetts, student, is working with a group of other students to update our Master Plan for park and recreation. A complete report on the facility in the town along with their recommendations will be submitted to the Park Commissioners upon completion.

Our utmost thanks to our capable Superintendent, Mike Russo and his assistants, to the children and adults of the town for their consideration and cooperation while enjoying the use of all the park facilities, to the individuals of other town departments who helped in any way and to the Honorable Board of Selectmen for their help and guidance when needed.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Johnson, Chairman
James Duke, Secretary
Robert DeMaio
Robert Laviolette
Walter Pluta

REPORT OF THE MILK INSPECTOR

To the Board of Health and the Citizens of Palmer.

I respectfully submit my report on the following licenses issued for the year 1974:

34 Store milk licenses	@.50	\$17.00
12 Vehicle milk licenses	@.50	6.00
17 Oleomargarine licenses	@.50	<u>8.50</u>
		\$31.50

Respectfully submitted,

Frank J. Swiatlowski
Milk Inspector

REPORT OF THE SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Scales and Balances	<u>Adj.</u>	<u>Sealed</u>	<u>Not Sealed</u>	<u>Con-demned</u>
Over 10,000 lbs.	1	3	0	0
5,000 - 10,000 lbs.	3	4	0	0
100 - 5,000 lbs.	29	50	2	0
10 - 100 lbs.	16	46	2	0
10 or less lbs.	<u>11</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Totals	60	119	4	0

Weights

Avoirdupois	0	99	0	0
Metric	0	87	0	0
Apothecary	<u>0</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Totals	0	234	0	0

Liquid Measuring Meters

Inlet One Inch or Less

Gasoline	15	84	10	0
Oil, Grease	0	11	3	0

Inlet More than One Inch

Vehicle Tank	<u>3</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Totals	18	111	13	0

Fabric Measuring Devices	0	1	0	0
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Yardsticks	0	7	0	0
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Trial Weighings and Measurements of Commodities Sold or Put Up for Sale

<u>Commodity</u>	<u>Tested</u>	<u>Correct</u>	<u>Under</u>	<u>Over</u>
Bread	168	147	7	14
Charcoal	57	21	7	29
Fruits & Vegetables	283	226	18	39
Confectionary	138	121	6	11
Meats	578	499	48	31
Potatoes	56	28	6	22
Flour	37	17	12	8
Butter	64	49	3	12
Provisions	<u>297</u>	<u>272</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>16</u>
Totals	1678	1380	116	182

Inspections:	
Food Packages	1621
Charcoal, Paper Bags	57
Milk Jars, Cartons	118
Marking of Bread	168
Gasoline (other than sealing)	77
Fuel Oil Meters (other than sealing)	23
Scales	123
Pedlar's License	1
Pedlar's Junk Scale	<u>1</u>

Total	2189
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Total Sealing Fees Collected	\$847.10
Sealing Fees Paid to Town Treasurer	\$847.10

Appropriation:	
January - June 1974	\$808.10

Expenditures January - June 1974	806.27
	<u>\$ 1.83</u> Balance

Appropriation	
July 1974 - July 1975	\$1,864.60
Expenditures July 1974 - December 1974	984.70
	<u>\$ 879.90</u> Balance

The foregoing comprises my annual report for the period ending December 31, 1974.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles H. Jasak
Sealer of Weights & Measures

REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN

Honorable Board of Selectmen
Town of Palmer, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

Amount appropriated	\$4,125.00
Expenditures	<u>1,881.10</u>
Balance January 1, 1975	\$2,243.90

During the past year 92 trees of various species were planted throughout the town.

Twenty-eight trees were removed due to old age and decay, as were five six inch diameter trees destroyed by motor vehicles jumping the tree belt curbs.

High winds throughout the year caused many broken limbs and blew down two trees. Normal maintenance of all trees was also carried out.

Serious concern should be given to the increasing number of maple trees dying from Verticillium Wilt. This fungus enters a tree through the root system, trunk and branches. It affects the old and weakened trees, although younger trees are not completely spared. The trees should be fertilized in early spring or late fall to promote vigorous growth, thereby helping to resist the fungus.

Respectfully submitted,

Oliver Beauregard
Tree Warden

REPORT OF THE LICENSE COMMISSIONERS

Herewith is the annual report of the License Commission Department.

The Board of License Commissioners issued the following licenses during the year of 1974:

<u>All Alcoholic</u>	<u>Annual</u>	<u>Seasonal</u>
Inn Holders	3	0
Retail Package	4	1
Clubs	5	0
Druggists	4	0
Restaurants	12	3
<u>Malt, Beverages and Wine</u>		
Restaurant	2	
Package Stores	5	
<u>Common Victuallers</u>	50	

The Board also issued 45 one-day permits for the sale of malt beverages and wine. This department turned over to the Town Treasurer the total sum of \$9,973.00.

Respectfully submitted,

Edwin M. Olearzyk
Fred S. Tyburski
Bernard J. Lamery

REPORT OF THE RECREATION COMMITTEE

This year the attendance at the summer recreation area at Burleigh Park on Old Warren Road was up over last year to about 275 children per day. Again, as in past years, the first couple of weeks the attendance was the highest with totals reaching over 400 children per day with attendance leveling off as vacations were taken. Overall we serviced close to 700 children during the summer. Weatherwise we were affected by cold weather throughout most of the summer but rain was not too big a problem after the first two weeks.

Our program was similar to the program of the past years which includes arts and crafts, baseball, swimming at Burleigh and Eager Playgrounds, overnights, competition against neighboring towns, archery and others. Twelve charter trips were made during the summer of 1974, seven to Quabbin and one each to Fenway Park, West Springfield, Stafford Springs, Conn., Mountain Park and to Mt. Greylock. The biggest improvements over last year were the increasingly difficult hikes especially for the smaller children and the overall improvement in the arts and crafts program. For the upcoming year, we expect to add new programs and games. We have received two heavy duty backboards and hoops for basketball and will offer basketball for this coming season.

In closing this report, the Recreation Committee would like to thank its Director and his staff for helping in presenting to the town such an excellent and successful summer recreation program.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul P. Frydryk, Chairman
Palmer Recreation Committee

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

The year 1974 saw much activity in the way of permits issued by the Planning Board. A total of 253 permits were issued as follows:

Building Permits	106
Additions/Alterations	28
Swimming Pool	24
Garage/Carport	18
Tool Shed/Patio	13
Trailers	9
Gravel Permits	5
Spring Valley Investment	50

The total amount collected and turned over to the Town Treasurer was \$1,335.00.

The Agent for the Board made 190 field investigations regarding permits, complaints, and violations.

On June 11, 1974, in a joint meeting with the Board of Selectmen and the Planning Board, Mr. William Ammann was elected to replace Mr. Frederick C. Rathbone who submitted his resignation.

At a Special Town Meeting on September 30, 1974, an important amendment to the By-Law for the removal of topsoil, loam, gravel, clay or fill was approved by the voters. The amendment states that a new permit must be renewed yearly. It allows new conditions as needed to be imposed to prevent indiscriminate openings of new land for such operations.

In October, a group of graduate students from the University of Massachusetts under the direction of Mr. Morton Broun, presented a plan to update the Comprehensive Study Plan for Palmer. The original Plan was prepared by Technical Planning Associates of New Haven in 1970. Palmer is one of several area towns taking advantage of this program. A nominal sum is involved to cover the expenses for this revision and the Planning Board feels it will benefit the Town.

This Board will continue to move ahead with amendments to our present By-Laws. As the need arises, we shall also continue to submit new By-Laws for the voters consideration.

We wish to thank the Board of Selectmen, all town employees and committees who have given such fine cooperation to us during this past year. We look forward to a progressive new year and the continued support of the citizens of our town in the hope that better land use and controls will be enforced and maintained.

Respectfully submitted,

John E. Chopyk, Chairman
Alymer Giroux, Vice-Chairman
Daniel V. Fogarty, Jr., Clerk
Evelyn B. Anton
William Ammann

REPORT OF THE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

The Palmer Redevelopment Authority, in 1974, had its most gratifying year. The year 1974 saw the fruition of some five years of effort toward the goals of developing a new and revitalized industrial tax base and the creation of new job opportunities for all the citizens of Palmer.

This year saw the creation of the Palmer Industrial Park carved out of some 164 acres of land in Bondsville. As construction continued throughout the year, we began to see the blending of the creation of full-service industrial land and the maintaining of the natural beauty of the areas' environment.

The year 1974 further brought the sale of the industrial park land, amounting to about 152.3 acres, to Mr. J. B. Williams, Charleston, South Carolina.

For the Palmer Redevelopment Authority, 1974 will be remembered as a year of long debate, anxious moments, many disagreements, some disappointment, but ultimately success in the achievement of goals for the community, long strived for by many.

The PRA held its organizational meeting on March 13, 1974, with the following results recorded:

Neil M. McDonald, Chairman
Charles A. Ramadon, Vice Chairman
Stanley J. Strzeminski, Treasurer
Eugene S. Wright, Assistant Treasurer
Mary C. Krawiec, Secretary

On January 9, 1974, the PRA was honored with a visit and tour of the partially-constructed Palmer Industrial Park by Senator Edward M. Kennedy. Numerous Town officials and citizens of Palmer were present to hear Senator Kennedy assure the Town of his continued support and assistance in the industrial rebuilding effort.

Construction of Palmer Industrial Park

Construction on the Palmer Industrial Park began in November 1973 and continued throughout 1974. Suburban Excavators Inc., Wakefield, Massachusetts, the general contractor under the supervision of the PRA and its engi-

neers, Tibbetts Engineering Corp., New Bedford, Massachusetts, undertook the task of creating three new roads and the clearing and excavation of land to create 16 industrial sites varying in size from 1 acre to 15 acres.

By spring 1974, most excavation was complete and the installation of utilities began. New sewer lines, water lines and drainage system were installed throughout the Park. The reconstruction, with utilities of Fuller Road to Route 181, was also undertaken at this time. While temporary sewage disposal systems were built within the Park, including 3 pumping stations, provisions were made to connect to the new Town sewage disposal system to be built in the near future.

A railroad bridge, spanning the Swift River, connecting the Park with the Central Vermont Railway was constructed by the general contractor.

An important phase of our construction included a contract with the Bondsville Fire and Water District under which the Authority paid \$330,000 to the District for new wells, pumping stations, installation of new water lines to the Industrial Park and repair of their storage tank. Work on this contract, under the supervision of the Bondsville Fire and Water District was undertaken and completed during 1974.

Construction continued throughout the year and final completion is expected in the spring, 1975.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Financial Assistance Agreement

On May 8, 1974, the PRA signed a Financial Assistance Agreement with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, through the Department of Community Affairs, assuring the Town of Palmer an estimated \$1,792,250 over 20 years in State reimbursements as the State share of construction of the Palmer Industrial Park. In June 1974, the Treasurer of the Town received the first installment amounting to \$85,117.55.

Sale of Land in Palmer Industrial Park

In July, 1973, the PRA signed an Option Agreement with Mr. Joe H. Schaeffer, Memphis, Tennessee, for his pur-

chase of the Park. The Option was to be executed on or before March 1, 1974. On February 20, 1974, Mr. Schaeffer requested and received a 60 day extension from the PRA.

During this time, Mr. Schaeffer had been promoting the Park through brochures and personal contacts in an effort to secure an industry for the Park. During this time, a great effort was put out by the PRA and Mr. Schaeffer in an attempt to locate the new Miller's Brewery in the Park. Some two months was spent with assistance from various local, State and federal officials, but ultimately without success. Mr. Schaeffer requested a second extension of 45 days on May 1, 1974. The PRA was satisfied with his efforts in our behalf to date, and granted this additional extension.

In June, 1974, with the economy straining, Mr. Schaeffer was forced reluctantly to withdraw from the project. But, prior to his withdrawal, he was successful in finding another developer, Mr. J. B. Williams, Charlston, South Carolina, to whom he could assign his option.

After careful investigation, the PRA approved the assignment on June 12, 1974.

It was Mr. Williams' intent to execute the option as soon as possible and close on the sale of the Park from the PRA to himself.

The PRA prepared all necessary legal documents including the Land Disposition Agreement and Deed for execution by the parties involved.

On July 10, 1974, the closing took place at the offices of the Valley Bank and Trust Co., Springfield, Massachusetts and was announced that evening in the offices of the PRA. Mr. Williams presented Mr. Neil M. McDonald, Authority Chairman, with a check for \$200,000, representing Mr. Williams' initial payment which was ultimately turned over to the Town of Palmer.

In addition, the terms of the agreement included an additional \$200,000 to be placed in escrow, ultimately at the First American Bank, Memphis, Tennessee, and if 750 jobs do not exist in the Park by March, 1984, then that money and all interest will be turned over to the PRA; otherwise, it would revert to Mr. Williams.

Additionally, as part of the purchase price, the PRA will receive \$100,000 on August 1, 1975, 1976, 1977, 1978, completing the cash purchase price of \$800,000.

Further, it was agreed that Mr. Williams will make three \$100,000 cash grants to the Town of Palmer in 1979, 1980 and 1981.

This completed the financial package totaling \$1,100,000.

At this point, it became the sole responsibility of Mr. Williams to find tenants for the Palmer Industrial Park, subject to certain approvals required from the Palmer Re-development Authority, as detailed in the Urban Renewal Plan approved by the Town of Palmer.

Resignations

At a Special Meeting of the PRA on July 26, 1974, the Authority accepted "with regret" the resignations of two of its members: Stanley J. Strzemienski and Charles A. Ramadon. Both Mr. Strzemienski and Mr. Ramadon had served the Town of Palmer on the Overall Economic Development Program (OEDP) Committee and PRA in its efforts to rebuild the industry lost in the Bondsville Fire of 1968 and the closing of the C F & I Plant.

Mr. Strzemienski was appointed by Governor Sargent to fill a term to February 12, 1978. Mr. Ramadon's elective term was to expire in March 1976.

On August 7, 1974, Mrs. Mary C. Krawiec was elected by the remaining members of the Authority to be Treasurer.

On August 14, 1974, Mr. Eugene S. Wright was elected Vice Chairman of the Authority.

On October 2, 1974, Mr. John O'Brien, 5 Holbrook Street, was named by Selectmen to fill the vacancy of Mr. Ramadon. Mr. O'Brien was elected Secretary to the PRA on October 9, 1974.

On November 22, 1974, the PRA, as required by the State Department of Community Affairs, submitted names for consideration for the Governor's appointment to the PRA. Through the end of 1974, no appointment had been made.

Authority staff included during the year 1974 were the following:

Neal D. Hannon, Executive Director
Elaine M. Koziol, Secretary

Consultants:

Tibbetts Engineering Corporation, New Bedford,
Massachusetts
John Brown Associates, Boston, Massachusetts
Dr. Ronald F. Stinnett, Washington, D. C.

Legal Counsel:

Douglas D. Nichols, Esq.
112 Sewall Street
Ludlow, Massachusetts 01056

The Authority thanks all those who worked so closely with us making the Palmer Industrial Park a reality and success and the Authority looks forward to continued cooperation and success in the future.

Respectfully submitted to the Palmer Board of Selectmen on January 30, 1975.

Neil M. McDonald
Chairman

REPORT OF INSECT PEST CONTROL

Honorable Board of Selectmen
Town of Palmer, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

Amount appropriated	\$3,200.00
Expenditures	<u>856.80</u>
Balance, January 1, 1975	\$2,343.20

Gypsy Moth defoliation of the past year was moderate to heavy in some sections of the town. However it does not compare to the severe defoliation that occurred in the year of 1939.

On May 18-19-20 during the hatching season, strong prevailing southwesterly winds blew in thousands of quarter inch size caterpillars from neighboring towns. Along with existing Gypsy Moth egg masses this did indeed cause discomfort and stripping to many sections of the town. A concentrated spray effort using Methoxychlor and Marlath destroyed thousands of caterpillars and lessened the danger of severe stripping.

Spot checks this fall for newly laid Gypsy Moth egg masses indicated the spray effort to be very effective. This, together with natural parasites attacking the female moth and egg masses, gives every indication that 1975 should not be as bad as the past year.

The unsightly fall Web Worm, many times confused for the Gypsy Moth, was also dealt with. Hundreds of webs were thoroughly sprayed and should not be a problem.

Respectfully submitted,

Stanley J. Strzeminski
Superintendent
Insect Pest Control

REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Palmer, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The Conservation Commission herewith submits its annual report for the year 1974.

The Commission held ten regular meetings on the third Monday evening of each month excepting August and December.

The Commission conferred with the Planning Board re: the Shaw brothers property and the "Town Hall Village" project, and with the Selectmen re: the sanitary landfill, the "Town Hall Village" project, and the buying of land for conservation purposes.

The Commission conducted two hearings under the Hatch Act, and after due consideration issued orders of conditions.

The Commission made twelve trips to investigate possible violations of the Hatch Act.

Members of the Commission attended two very profitable State conferences, one at Holy Cross College on March 23 and one at the University of Mass. on November 2.

Membership in the Massachusetts Audubon Society has been renewed.

Members of the Commission attended two special meetings of the Hampden County Conservation Commission relative to revisions of the Hatch Act - the new Hatch Act went into effect November 13, 1974.

The Commission has ordered three copies of the Flood-plains/Wetlands zoning pamphlet one of which will be filed with the Planning Board.

At the request of the Selectmen, the Commission named one of its members, William M. Wadas, to sit on the Town Historical Commission.

The Commission has contacted the Hampden County Board of Commissioners relative to designating Old County Road as a Recreation Area.

Respectfully submitted,

David E. Johnson,
Chairman
Jane E. Golas,
Vice Chairman
Henry L. Lloyd
Andrew Roman
Richard Stred
William M. Wadas
Margaret P. Ziegler,
Secretary

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

All inspections ordered by the Division of Animal Health have been completed and requirements of Section 19, Chapter 129 of the General Laws of Massachusetts have been compiled with, and reports filed with, the Division at 100 Cambridge Street, Boston.

There were 156 visits made to examine and quarantine dogs known to have bitten persons. None showed symptoms of rabies and were released after 10 days.

Respectfully submitted,

Louis S. Jacek
Inspector of Animals

REPORT OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY

Sociability and good neighborliness mark the day to day living at Laurel Manor, Palmer's Housing-for-the-Elderly project on Fletcher Street, in the Depot Village. The tenant organization holds regular monthly meetings, promotes pot luck suppers for the tenants, a weekly Beano party, and during the warm months shuffleboard games are enjoyed out of doors. Last spring, a hobby and craft show was held in the Community Building with many of the tenants participating.

During the past year, the project lost five tenants and these apartments were promptly renovated and now house four single occupants and one couple, taken from our waiting list.

Last fall the project was honored by an official visit from Lewis S. W. Crampton, Commissioner of the State Department of Community Affairs.

Cable television, for the use of all tenants, was installed a few months ago, replacing the antenna system which had proven inadequate.

As the Housing-for-the-Elderly is a State project, its records are audited annually and the published account is made available to the public.

Mrs. Allen F. Davis, who has served eight years as the State appointed member of the Palmer Housing Authority, was reappointed last August for a term of five years.

During the past year, no major repairs have been required, but the cost of energy for this all-electric complex has been of major concern to the five members of the Authority. However, good management and supervision are keeping costs at the lowest level possible, while delivering good living conditions to our elderly tenants.

On a pleasanter note, Laurel Manor is one of the beauty spots of the town and much credit is due the tenants who provide all the floral landscaping and even now are planning their spring "Gardens".

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Guy M. Judkins, Chairman

Myrtle F. Davis

Aloysius J. Tyburski

Richard E. Fontaine

William J. Lemanski

REPORT OF THE HISTORICAL COMMISSION

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Palmer, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The Historical Commission was formed during the year ending 1974.

The Commission met regularly on the third Thursday of each month.

The Commission thusfar has recorded 72 pre-1850 homes and sites within the town. We have barely scratched the surface and hope to record twice as many in the coming year.

The Commission submitted their findings to the Pioneer Valley Regional Planning Service which in turn is publishing a booklet of Pioneer Valley historic homes. Mr. Burke of that organization was most helpful to this Commission.

The Commission was also fortunate in obtaining some early maps of the town which aided greatly in the investigation of these sites.

The Commission is working hand in hand with the Elbow Plantation Historical Society to preserve as much of the historical assets of the community.

All listings will be forwarded to the Massachusetts Historical Commission to be placed in the State Archives. There are also several sites which may possibly be included in the National Register of Historic Sites.

Respectfully submitted,

Reginald Gale, Chairman
Marion Lis, Historian
Margaret Donovan, Secretary
Doris Nahabedian, Treasurer

Daniel Fogarty
William Wadas
Stephen Lebida

REPORT OF THE VETERANS' SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Congressional pre-occupation with various investigative matters during the last session precluded action on many vital bills affecting the health and welfare of veterans and their dependents; however, some important bills were signed into law which concerned a large segment of our population.

PL 93-295 approved in May 1974 increased VA compensation rates for all service disabled veterans, widows and children. A medical assistance program for dependents of deceased or totally disabled veterans, titled CHAMPVA, was approved on August 2, 1973. This is a cost sharing program where the government pays 75% of the cost of medical care of the dependents after an annual deductible of \$100 per family is met.

Pension increases for the non-service connected disabled veterans and their widows and children was authorized in January 1974, but this was almost nullified by the 11% Social Security increases which many of these recipients received since this additional income would reduce their VA benefits in subsequent years. However, legislation, as passed late in December of 1974, increased the rates by 12% thus preventing the loss or reduction of their benefits.

The termination date for education benefits for Vietnam veterans was extended to 10 years after date of discharge with the earliest date of expiration July 1, 1976. Education rates also were increased over a Presidential veto and became effective on September 1, 1974. A new loan provision of \$600 per year for students under certain circumstances is an added feature of this law.

Bonus applications for Massachusetts servicemen with a minimum period of six months active duty between July 1, 1958 and October 2, 1972 are still being accepted for processing and payment. Cutoff date is April 1, 1973.

Our records indicate that 43 servicemen and women completed active duty in military service during the past 18 month period and 14 of these served in the Vietnam combat area. During this same period, 38 of our veterans died. Assistance was provided to 46 applicants with claims for Pension and Compensation and 36 claimants were awarded

benefits totalling \$46,750 in additional income to these recipients in the past fiscal year. Six claims were denied; two were increased for additional allowances and five are in process of adjudication by the Veterans Administration.

This office handled 1581 personal interviews and 1572 telephone calls relating to various veterans' matters. Some of the more frequent services provided were as follows:

- 1737 Photostats of documents
- 231 Letters and forms
- 121 Education matters
- 127 Referrals to other agencies
- 65 Discharges recorded
- 54 Loans
- 58 Bonus applications
- 48 Insurance
- 48 Burial benefits
- 46 Pensions and compensation
- 33 Hospital and dental
- 68 Draft registrations
- 32 Tax exemptions
- 638 Miscellaneous matters

Under the provisions of Chapter 115 of the G. L. of Massachusetts, as amended, 89 cases were granted direct financial assistance involving 258 persons.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Appropriation for Unpaid Bills 1973-74	\$	364.05
Expenditures		<u>324.05</u>
Balance		40.00

Appropriation for 1973-74		82,098.00
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State reimbursements received	27,982.46	
Recoveries from Liens	5,826.99	
Refunds of overpayments	1,709.95	
Town's share of total cost	44,488.54	
Unexpended balance	<u>2,090.06</u>	
		82,098.00

Respectfully submitted,

Edward J. Salamon
Veterans' Agent

TRIBUTE TO HARRY UGUCCIONI

This year the citizens of Palmer will join town officials in paying an enthusiastic tribute to Harry Uguccione as he ends nine years, (eight years as chairman) of service on the Pathfinder Regional Vocational-Technical High School District Committee. One of the most popular figures on the educational as well as the political scene for more than a decade, Uguccione, more than any one person, has been responsible for the successful completion of the Pathfinder project to where it is now, a source of growing pride to our town.

Members of the Pathfinder Committee staff and townspeople who know him well speak of Harry as the perfect committeeman. Some remember how, never having been on a committee before, he once wondered whether or not he would enjoy the experience. All of us know he did! But we also know that he has that rare sense of compromise, that knack for weaving threads of disagreement into consensus and a unique ability to make his enthusiasm for something contagious.

Those who have worked with Harry envy his ability to respect both friend and adversary alike. His regard for the opinions of all concerned with an issue combined with his inclination to suspend judgment until he listened to all brought refinement to the Pathfinder effort.

Harry is at his best when showing visitors through the Pathfinder building; he knows every square inch. His sharp wit and his thorough knowledge of all that is Pathfinder have caused more than one admirer to remark how his personality is indeed reflected in the school.

It is a long way from the time when committee members contributed 25¢ per meeting to keep the Pathfinder project alive. Now, the town takes its hat off to Harry Uguccione and says, "THANKS" !

REPORT OF THE PATHFINDER REGIONAL VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

It is our privilege to present the following report which represents the activities of the Pathfinder Regional Vocational-Technical High School District Committee over the past year. The Committee is pleased to report a year of steady progress in the development of curriculum, the selection and maintenance of a high calibre faculty, the further equipping and furnishing of the building, and the expansion of student activities.

Now, in its second year of operation, Pathfinder enrolls 395 students in 10 vocational areas.

<u>Grade</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>P.G.</u>
Agribusiness	15	11	10	5	0
Automotive	15	18	12	2	2
Carpentry	17	23	18	1	2
Clothing	11	13	4	0	1
Cosmetology	0	5	13	6	2
Culinary Arts	14	10	8	5	0
Drafting	8	9	2	2	0
Electricity	15	19	14	7	1
Health	14	4	5	6	1
Machine Shop	16	15	8	5	1

An enrollment increase of 185 students was accompanied by the addition of 13 new teachers as well as two members of the administrative staff. The school now employs 37 teachers, 2 guidance counselors, an administrator of special education and 3 central office administrators.

Among the new academic programs offered during the 1974-1975 school year were chemistry, physics, anatomy and physiology, biology, contemporary affairs and reading. An electronics program was instituted to accommodate a growing interest in that field.

Responding to the concerns outlined under Chapter 766, Pathfinder appointed a staff member in special education; the school is prepared to implement all requirements of that legislation and frequently does so in cooperation with schools and personnel from the member towns. Students with special needs who may benefit from vocational programs have been placed into suitable shop related and academic courses.

Interscholastic athletics included varsity teams in soccer, cross country, basketball and baseball. Programs for girls included competition in basketball and softball and were complemented by a cheerleading squad. The four classes, along with the student council, have begun to play an active part in school affairs and each organization has developed a full schedule of activities.

Notable among the school's new ventures has been the encouragement of student projects as learning experiences. Not only have these projects enhanced the school building and grounds, but they have also saved many tax dollars in the member towns through such contributions as the addition to the New Braintree fire house. Each of these projects has provided real and practical work experience and has reinforced the school's belief in encouraging students toward making a positive contribution to society.

Pathfinder students have excelled in displays of their accomplishments. The culinary arts students have won praise by preparing and serving large dinners for area school personnel, and they have opened their Tea Room to public groups twice weekly. Displays from all shop areas have been constructed throughout the school and have shown townspeople the type of training available at Pathfinder. Students and teachers have been eager to assist town departments in a variety of construction, maintenance and repair tasks.

An important factor in the development of programs at Pathfinder has been the school's success in securing federal and state grants. The School Committee has encouraged this search for funds by the administration and has been gratified by the \$55,000 in federal monies obtained through proposals this year.

The latter portion of the 1973-1974 school year was highlighted by an open house attended by 3500 persons fol-

lowed by a dedication program featuring guest speakers Representative Alexander Lolas and Senator Frederick Schlosstein and a representative of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. During the year the school hosted several groups of school committees, principals, superintendents and guidance directors. An evening school attended by over 300 citizens began and included courses in trade preparatory skills, evening practical arts, and high school equivalency. A day-long open house for students interested in Pathfinder was scheduled for February.

At the beginning of the current academic year, the School Committee completed its organization of an administrative team consisting of newly appointed Superintendent-Director Gerald L. Paist, Principal Raymond Avery and Administrative Assistant Michael Fitzpatrick. Mr. Avery had served the school as Acting Superintendent-Director during the initial year and over the summer.

In looking toward the future, the Committee is appreciative of the growing support for the school from townspeople in the four town region. They continue their dedication to the philosophy that the school shall provide an alternative educational opportunity to any student in the district who demonstrates a willingness and a commitment to profit from a program in vocational education.

Respectfully submitted,

Gerald L. Paist, Ed. D.
Superintendent-Director

Robert H. Carper
Harry Uguccione
School Committee
Representatives
Town of Palmer

SCHOOL COMMITTEE 1974 - 1975

John J. Dyl, Chairman
Earl E. Benoit, Vice-Chairman
James R. Longtine, Secretary

Earl E. Benoit	Term expires 1975
Joseph J. Malzenski	Term expires 1975
James R. Longtine	Term expires 1976
Robert R. Canterbury	Term expires 1977
John J. Dyl	Term expires 1977

Regular meetings of the School Committee are held at 7:00 p.m., the first Wednesday of each month.

All bills must be in the hands of the Superintendent by the Monday before the above-mentioned date.

Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

BUDGET COMPARISON

	July 1, 1974 to <u>June 30, 1975</u>	July 1, 1975 to <u>June 30, 1976</u>
Administration	\$ 55,444.00	\$ 62,384.00
Instruction	1,880,405.76	2,014,586.00
Other School Services	181,410.00	186,169.00
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	194,018.00	213,905.00
Fixed Charges	69,249.33	72,905.00
Community Services	500.00	500.00
Trade School Expenses	13,910.00	9,060.00
Tuition	2,000.00	31,200.00
Repairs	27,005.00	21,524.00
Federal Matching Funds	6,000.00	6,000.00
Surplus Property	<u>500.00</u>	<u>500.00</u>
	\$2,430,442.09	\$2,618,733.00
		<u>289,919.40*</u>
		\$2,908,652.40

*Plus legally required salaries for July and August 1974--1975 Budget. (Omitted from 1974--1975 Budget as permitted by law.)

At this writing, the 1975--1976 Budget has not been accepted by the School Committee; nor has it been reviewed by the Finance Committee.

ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT

It is a pleasure to submit this, my first annual report as Superintendent of the Palmer Public Schools. The format for this report will be somewhat different from that utilized in prior years because we have organized our efforts at improvement through focusing upon specific annual objectives for the entire system. These were initially developed by the Superintendent and then revised after review by the Administrative Council, all members of the staff, and the School Committee before final adoption. For the most part, this section of the annual report will reflect our progress to date in implementing the objectives rather than final outcomes.

Curriculum and Instruction

1. Review and revise as needed (and possible) eighth-grade program. Develop a career exploration program including industrial arts, home economics, personal type-writing, etc.; and review other course content.

Toward the end of last spring, the Superintendent suggested that a pilot program be instituted to help those eighth-grade students who appeared to have recurrent problems of truancy and other actions causing repetitive suspensions. As a result, we set up a small group which met during the week at a given period in which all were free. During this period, two major aspects of the program were developed--namely, (1) individual tutoring in those major subject areas in which the students were weak, (2) a values clarification guidance program headed by Mr. Paydos and Miss Bedworth jointly at first and later by Miss Bedworth alone. Although the results of this pilot program were mixed, there were definite reports by Miss Bedworth and Mr. Paydos that at least some of the students were responding to our efforts. Partially as a result of this pilot program and partially because the Superintendent felt that the eighth-grade program needed overhauling, a Career Exploration Program was set up for the school year 1974-1975 for all eighth-grade students. The preponderance of students involved and staff recently surveyed indicate

that this program is meeting a need and is generally successful. Some other school districts, as well as the State Department of Education, have indicated their admiration for the kind of project initiated in Palmer; and we are presently preparing a proposal for funding the program and expanding it in the coming year.

Other aspects of the eighth-grade program are undergoing review; and some expected revision, especially in English, will be forthcoming.

2. Review, revise, and add to our Special Education program as required in the light of Chapter 766.

Our Special Education program has moved ahead with expanded use of Core Evaluation Teams and the initiation of two new resource rooms for 1974-1975. In addition, all of the elementary school staff have been provided in-service programs relative to Special Education referrals and implementation according to the mandates of Chapter 766. The Superintendent also wrote an explanatory article concerning Chapter 766 to reach all parents via the June issue of School Times.

The Superintendent recommended and had approved a full-time Director of Special Education, a position which we hope to fill prior to February 1, 1975. Obviously, the development of our Special Education program should continue to move ahead accordingly, in spite of the fact that we are already ahead of many school districts in Massachusetts.

3. Assess achievement test results and suggest revisions in methodology and/or programs to upgrade those skills requiring improvement.

The Superintendent initiated a review of test results last spring; and, as a result, the Administrative Council and guidance were able to pinpoint at least two major areas in which some improvement should be sought. One of the major areas was improvement in the mathematics basic skills. Principals therefore initiated, at the Superintendent's suggestion, additional drills and games which could aid in reaching this objective. Subsequent testing has in fact shown improvement.

4. Review and suggest revisions as required to meet more fully the needs of those Palmer High School students who will move directly into the field of work and assess our programs for other students in the light of today's career needs.

In order to implement this objective, the Superintendent has organized a K-12 Career Education Committee and provided it with its charge. The charge included a preamble providing some background data for the committee and suggestions for a mode of operation. It is expected that this committee will have a substantive report on or before May 15, 1975, which could measurably improve our efforts in the area of career education.

5. Review with Administration and staff our curriculum and in-service needs, and develop programs for improving both.

In-service needs were discussed with the Administrative Council, and some areas were added to an in-service questionnaire being circulated by the committee having this responsibility. A number of in-service programs have already been held, including those earlier noted under Special Education, others dealing with implementation of our new reading program and new science program, and one on Personnel Evaluation organized by the Superintendent. Dr. Fitzgerald, Executive Director of the Massachusetts Advisory Council on Education, presented this in-service program December 5, 1974. It was attended by all members of the Supervisory Program and Procedures Committee as well as administrators and other interested staff.

A variety of committees at the elementary as well as high school level have been operative this year. The elementary science committee is in an advisory stage, operating mainly to check on the implementation of the new program which was approved last year and initiated this school year. The committee reports initial reaction to the new science program has been excellent on the part of both students and teachers.

The social studies curriculum committee at the elementary level has completed grades 4, 5, and 6 and plans to have grade 7 completed by January, 1975.

The elementary mathematics curriculum committee was organized as of Monday, November 18, 1974, but has held two additional meetings already. The committee has surveyed teachers involved in the mathematics program and already feels that there is sufficient evidence to look for a different program than the one presently used (Laidlaw).

The elementary reading committee completed its work last year and has been mainly concerned with implementing the new program and providing the necessary in-service help for this purpose. As with science, it appears the teachers are pleased with the new reading program.

The Program Review Committee for the High School has discussed a number of items including, at the Superintendent's suggestion, the possibility of utilizing some system other than the Carnegie Unit for crediting student work for graduation purposes. At the present time, they have tentatively considered recommending (a) that the high school diploma be standardized and no differentiation by curriculum be noted, (b) that the Carnegie Unit be kept as an accounting of study completed.

After a review of our various curricula K-12, the Superintendent discussed with the Administrative Council the need for an improved health education program. As a result, the Superintendent has now organized an interdisciplinary committee K-12 for this purpose and presented its charge.

6. Develop and implement interdisciplinary integration and coordination among various subject areas at all levels with special emphasis at the secondary level.

Some interdisciplinary progress has been made at the High School, especially in the area of fine arts. Here, for example, there has been coordination with music, home economics, and industrial arts at times. As the High School Principal notes, however, more must be accomplished in this area where coordination and even integration can be helpful. Social studies and language arts are pinpointed as two areas where this is still required. At the elementary level there is a certain natural coordination and integration of

some subject areas, since at most levels the same teacher provides instruction in most of the subject areas. The Superintendent still feels that more coordination and integration with special subject areas--such as art and music and even physical education--could occur with profitable results. It should be noted that the new job descriptions for Directors and Department Chairmen operative for 1974-1975 specify that one of the areas toward which they should work is that of coordination and integration with other subject areas.

7. Develop and implement ways and means by which to improve articulation between the elementary and secondary school levels.

Although the Director of Guidance Services has a responsibility through the guidance counselors to implement this objective through counseling seventh-grade students prior to entering eighth grade at the High School, a much broader responsibility rests with the Principals. Some of this articulation is being provided via the Administrative Council meetings chaired by the Superintendent and part by communication of the Elementary Principals with the High School Principal. Obviously, one of the basic means of improving articulation is through the operation of K-12 curriculum committees, something which has been stressed and implemented in the last several months.

Supervision

1. Review and revise supervisory program and procedures for teachers.

The Superintendent organized a K-12 Supervisory Program and Procedures Committee last spring following his analysis of present evaluation procedures for staff. It is hoped that his charge to the committee as well as their review of other programs and their attendance at the recent in-service workshop on Personnel Evaluation will result in an improved supervisory program for staff by 1975-1976.

2. Develop evaluation procedures and forms for administrators, and implement such procedures during the 1974-1975 school year.

The Superintendent, in conjunction with the Administrative Council, developed evaluation procedures and forms for administrators last spring and had a trial run-through with such forms at the end of the last school year. The formal implementation and utilization of the new evaluation forms for administrators is operative during the 1974-1975 school year.

Administration

1. Review Director of Services and Department Chairman functions and responsibilities, and develop with them a job description reflecting such functions and responsibilities.

In consultation with the Directors of Services, Department Chairmen, and High School Administrators, the Superintendent developed and had approved last spring job descriptions for Directors of Services and Department Chairmen. These job descriptions will serve as the basis for the evaluation of these individuals by the High School Principal and the Superintendent. The High School Principal and the Superintendent will also utilize these evaluations as at least a partial basis for reviewing this type of organizational effectiveness compared to alternative allocations of our staff resources.

2. Develop enrollment projections no later than May 1, 1974, so as to determine staff needs for 1974-1975.

The Superintendent and Administrative Council developed enrollment projections last May with an update in June in determining staff needs for 1974-1975. Therefore, this objective has been accomplished.

3. Review with Administration and School Committee our enrollment projections for the next ten years, and assess space needs accordingly.

The Superintendent and Administrative Council discussed the bases for developing enrollment projections for the next ten years, and a sub-committee of the Council then spent many hours compiling such projections. The Administrative Council and the Superintendent are currently assessing our space needs considering both program and these projections.

The Superintendent will be prepared to make recommendations to the School Committee sometime in the spring to implement fully this objective.

4. Review the present type of school organization; i.e., K-7 and 8-12, as compared to a different type of organization in the light of what we know from research about child growth and development and organizational patterns which facilitate the learning process.

As noted above, the Administrative Council has just begun to assess the impact of the ten-year enrollment projections which may well have some bearing on this objective, so no report can be made at this time.

5. Continue to review with Administration and School Committee ways and means by which to obtain the most return for each of our educational dollars.

A constant review of our expenditures by the Superintendent, Central Office staff, and the Principals has enabled us to make good use of our educational dollars. Henceforth supplies and other items of a general nature will be centrally ordered and purchased on an individual school basis. This should give us more leverage and increase the possibilities of a lower cost per unit than would otherwise be the case.

A strict accounting of vandalism costs, including not only the cost of materials but the estimated cost of labor when performed by our own personnel, will give us the basis for reviewing and possibly restructuring our security and control plans so as to improve our prevention of vandalism, which is relatively low but still of concern to us.

6. Appoint a Bicentennial Committee for Education in Palmer, and cooperate in planning for the Bicentennial celebration.

Since our High School social studies department under Miss Fogarty is intimately involved in Bicentennial activities in Palmer and since other staff are members of the Bicentennial committees, the Superintendent has not felt it necessary to actually move for appointment of a Bicentennial Committee for Education separate from the two present Bicentennial committees.

The Superintendent has recommended and the School Committee has approved, however, full cooperation and participation by administration, staff, and students in the Bicentennial celebration whenever possible on a voluntary basis.

Support Services

1. Review and make suggestions for improvement of instructional support services, such as library, resource rooms, etc.

A review of space potential and utilization of the High School library has been made, and it is planned to provide for increased accessions through purchase of modular bookshelves. This will make it possible to add to our library resources in annual phases without seeking an actual enlargement of the total square footage now available.

Other instructional support services as represented by pupil personnel specialists--such as those in guidance, reading, learning disabilities, etc.--are being continually reviewed and at present seem to be finding good acceptance on the part of both staff and students. As noted under the objective dealing with Special Education, two new staff members have been added this year to handle our two new resource rooms, one at the elementary level and one at the high school level.

Our Elementary Principals will review with staff other support service needs--such as those reflected in the areas of library and media.

ADDITIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

Palmer High School

Palmer High School implemented an in-school suspension program early in November, 1974. The in-school suspension program was developed in order to serve as a deterrent to multiple suspensions that a number of Palmer High School students were receiving during the school year. Early evidence indicates that there has been a decline in the actual number of suspensions received by the students. Another positive facet of in-school suspension is that it

enables students to receive tutorial assistance in the in-school suspension room. The room is supervised at all times by members of the professional teaching staff.

Budget-wise, Palmer High School's emphasis has been on three areas:

- A. Implementing those recommendations made by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges as a result of the most recent school evaluation.
- B. Maintaining current school plant. Budget items have included improvement of lighting in classrooms, auditorium, and cafeteria; painting classrooms; roof repair; lowering ceilings in classrooms; and outside painting. Future budget items include the acquisition of a dust collection system for the industrial arts area, additional shelving for the school library which will eventually result in the accommodation of approximately 4,000 additional books for this area, and a final payment for the Digital PDP#8 computer which was purchased under a three-year acquisition program.
- C. Incorporating curriculum changes in the budget. Indicative of this is the addition of a course in computer programming in the mathematics department, and an investment in Career Education characterized by the Eighth-grade Career Exploration Program.

The opening of Pathfinder Regional Vocational-Technical High School has resulted in a net loss of six students between October 1, 1973, and October 1, 1974. Whereas, as of October 1, 1973, Palmer High School had 913 students, the enrollment as of October 1, 1974, was 907. These figures, however, can be misleading because the enrollment at Palmer High School as of October 1, 1972, was 1001. Therefore, in the two-year period between October 1, 1972, and October 1, 1974, Palmer High School attendance figures reflect a net loss of 94 students or a percentage loss of 9.3 percent. Short term projections also reflect a slight decline in student enrollments over the next few years. The decline in Palmer High School's enrollment over the past two years has also been accompanied by a 10 percent net loss of staff members.

Elementary Schools

The elementary teachers have been pursuing graduate studies at the following schools: University of Massachusetts, University of Connecticut, American International College, Springfield College, Westfield State, Worcester State, and Wellesley. A number of elementary teachers are graduate students seeking Masters' Degrees, Certificates of Advanced Graduate Studies, and Doctoral Degrees in the following areas: reading, early childhood education, teaching children with learning disabilities, special education, guidance, and educational administration. Elementary staff members have also attended workshops and in-service training in the following areas: English, remedial reading, science, kindergarten, reading, mathematics, art, special education, Individualized Guided Education, and Management by Objectives.

A new science program (K-7) which allows children to get involved in a laboratory investigatory approach to learning science was recently instituted as well as a new reading program which emphasizes a more individualized instructional approach.

Palmer's Title I Program has been funded for the ninth consecutive year. The Year-Round Program has been extended to include reading and mathematics in the Bonds-ville and Thorndike Elementary Schools. The Palmer Year-Round Title I Program called "MARK" has been funded for \$33,615. The summer Title I Program will also be funded and operational this year.

Respectfully submitted,

William J. Nelligan, Ed. D.
Superintendent of Schools

REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit the Financial Report of the Town of Palmer for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1974. The report covers the 18-month transitional period which began on January 1, 1973 and ended on June 30, 1974.

Chapter 41, Section 60 of the General Laws states that the Town Accountant shall immediately upon the close of each calendar year compile statements in tabulated form showing the amounts appropriated and the amounts expended from each appropriation during the preceding fiscal year, the amounts appropriated for the current fiscal year and the amounts expended from such appropriations during the first six months of such year and the amounts estimated to be expended from such appropriations during the second six months of such year, and the estimates for the next ensuing fiscal year, and shall forthwith furnish a copy thereof to the Selectmen, or to such a committee as the town may appoint to consider and report on proposed appropriations.

The following is a list of the reports submitted:

- Balance Sheet
- Statement of Cash Receipts
- Statement of Cash Disbursements
- Statement of Appropriations, Expenditures and
Balances for 18-month period ending June 30,
1974.
- Statement of Appropriations, Expenditures and
Estimated Expenditures for Fiscal Year 1975.
- Finance Committee Transfers from Reserve
Account.
- Bonded Indebtedness

Respectfully submitted,

Stanley J. Bigda
Town Accountant

TOWN OF PALMER, MASSACHUSETTS

BALANCE SHEET - JUNE 30, 1974

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

<u>ASSETS</u>		<u>LIABILITIES AND RESERVES</u>	
Cash:		Temporary Loans:	
In Banks and Office	\$780,167.12	In Anticipation of Revenue	\$500,000.00
Federal Revenue Sharing			
Funds Invested	254,922.60	Payroll Deductions:	
Accounts Receivable:	\$1,035,089.72	Federal Income Tax	\$ 2,732.12
Taxes:		State Income Tax	8,183.14
Levy of 1964:		County Retirement System	3,042.02
Personal Property	15.60	Group Health Insurance	7,601.12
		Group Life Insurance	721.68
Levy of 1965:			22,280.08
Personal Property	18.00	Agency:	
Levy of 1966:		County - Dog Licenses	273.75
Personal Property	35.60	State - Veterans' Services	
Levy of 1967:		Recovery	869.51
Personal Property	172.99	District - Tax Title	
Levy of 1968:		Redemption	1,974.14
Personal Property	766.68	Police - Off-Duty Work	
Levy of 1969:		Detail	576.00
Personal Property	1,232.78		3,693.40
		Tailings:	
		Unclaimed Checks	663.95

ASSETS

Levy of 1970:		
Personal Property	1,564.20	
Real Estate	4,275.48	
Levy of 1971:		
Personal Property	1,691.13	
Real Estate	4,409.78	
Levy of 1972:		
Personal Property	2,272.53	
Real Estate	9,810.46	
Levy of 1973-74:		
Personal Property	244,650.57	
Real Estate	878,292.55	
Motor Vehicle Excise:		
Levy of 1963	282.15	
Levy of 1964	218.52	
Levy of 1965	277.48	
Levy of 1966	1,661.01	
Levy of 1967	1,714.45	
Levy of 1968	1,916.25	
Levy of 1969	2,749.14	
Levy of 1970	9,097.34	
Levy of 1971	8,330.66	
Levy of 1972	11,385.17	
Levy of 1973	24,894.41	
Levy of 1974	104,242.04	
Farm Animal Excise:		
Levy of 1971	87.00	
Levy of 1973-74	82.75	

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Gifts and Bequests:		
Diamond-International Corporation (Pilot Plant Study - Sewage Treatment Project)		21,522.31
Trust Fund Income:		
Fuller Fund for Parks	107.88	
Fuller Fund for Schools	284.08	391.96
Federal Grants:		
Federal Revenue Sharing	104,922.60	
Trust Fund - PL 92-512		
Smith-Hughes Fund	22.66	
PL 89-10 - Title I	16,505.39	
PL 89-10 - Title II	1,569.33	
PL 85-864 - Title III	507.43	
PL 91-230 - Title III	2,679.00	126,206.41
Revolving Funds:		
School Lunch Program	5,586.30	
School Athletic Program	3,750.87	9,337.17
Appropriation Control:		
Fiscal Year 1975		4,514,188.93
Appropriation Balances:		
Revenue	280,515.92	
Non-Revenue:		
Sewer Construction	3,824.23	284,340.15

ASSETS

Tax Title and Possessions:

Tax Titles	67,264.26
Tax Possessions	<u>717.94</u>

Departmental:

Veterans' Services -	
State	3,974.59
Schools	349.00
Selectmen	175.00
Cemetery	<u>898.00</u>

Aid to Highways:

State	62,800.00
County	<u>45,200.00</u>

Revenue, Fiscal Year 1975:

Revenue	108,000.00
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Taxes to be Assessed

Taxes	4,104,381.93
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Loans Authorized:

Loans	1,300,000.00
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Sewage Treatment Facilities
Unprovided for or Overdrawn
Accounts:

Underestimates of 1973-74:

County Tax - 1973	11,736.06
Lower Pioneer Valley Air	
Pollution Control	<u>22.80</u>

Total	11,758.86
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LIABILITIES AND RESERVESLoans Authorized and Unissued:
Sewage Treatment Facilities

Loans	1,300,000.00
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Overestimates 1973-74:

Overestimates	67,982.20
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State Parks and Reservations

State Parks	5,370.25
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Sale of Real Estate Fund

Sale of Real Estate	9,000.00
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Sale of Cemetery Lots

Sale of Cemetery	21,796.00
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Receipts Reserved for Appropriation:

Receipts	5,396.59
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State Aid to Highways - Chap. 1140
Acts of 1973

State Aid	68,416.00
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Reserve Fund - Overlay Surplus

Reserve Fund	35,960.60
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Overlays Reserved for Abatements:

Levy of 1966	35.60
Levy of 1967	170.54
Levy of 1968	766.68
Levy of 1970	5,950.47
Levy of 1971	6,100.91
Levy of 1972	12,756.25
Levy of 1973-74	<u>63,854.74</u>

Total	89,635.19
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Revenues Reserved Until Collected:

Motor Vehicle Excise	167,460.48
Farm Animal Excise	169.75
Tax Title and Possession	67,982.20
Departmental	5,396.59
Aid to Highways	<u>108,000.00</u>

Total	349,009.02
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ASSETS

	Surplus Revenue	586,944.60
<u>7,948,756.02</u>		<u>7,948,756.02</u>

LIABILITIES AND RESERVESDEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt:

Inside Debt Limit:
General

\$269,600.00

Outside Debt Limit:
General

2,527,500.00

Serial Loans:

Inside Debt Limit:

General:
School Construction \$ 60,000.00
School Equipment 58,200.00
Sewer Construction 151,400.00

\$269,600.00

Outside Debt Limit:

General:
School 240,000.00
Local Flood Control 87,500.00
Palmer Industrial 2,200,000.00
Park Urban Renewal
Project

2,527,500.00

\$2,797,100.00\$2,797,100.00

TRUST FUNDS AND INVESTMENTS

ASSETS

Trust Funds and Investments:

Cash and Securities:

In Custody of Treasurer

\$112,344.14

\$112,344.14

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

In Custody of Treasurer:

Thompson Fund - Welfare \$ 951.28

Merrick Fund - Schools 850.00

Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds 89,908.00

Inez Burleigh Fuller School

Fund 1,000.00

Inez Burleigh Fuller Park

Fund 2,000.00

Conservation Fund 17,634.86

\$112,344.14

\$112,344.14

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS

YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1974

TAXES - LOCAL:

Current Year's Levy:

Real Estate	\$2,746,736.55	
Personal	<u>459,112.07</u>	\$3,205,848.62

Prior Year's Levy:

Real Estate	384,109.01	
Personal	19,683.28	
Tax Title Redemption	<u>48,527.90</u>	452,320.19

Other Local Taxes:

Motor Vehicle Excise	492,477.27	
Farm Animal Excise	1,103.00	
Trailer Coach Fees - 1973	1,280.00	
Trailer Coach Fees - 1974		
(6 mo.)	<u>6,554.00</u>	501,414.27

Total Taxes - Local

\$4,159,583.08

STATE SHARED TAXES:

Education Basis:

School Aid - Chapter 70	641,127.56
Machine Basis	108,510.68

Loss of Taxes:

Disabled Veterans	<u>1,293.10</u>
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Total State Shared Taxes

750,931.34

LICENSESES:

From State:

Peddler's Licenses	17.00
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From Town:

Alcoholic Beverages	19,261.00
Licenses issued by Selectmen	3,320.67
Licenses issued by Board of Health	628.50

Total Licenses

23,227.17

PERMITS

2,616.00

FINES - COURT

5,349.80

GRANTS:

Federal:

School Aid - PL89-10	Title I	41,447.00	
School Aid - ESEA	Title I	725.00	
School Aid - ESEA	Title II	7,990.05	
PTB. Ed.AD-PL91-230		<u>2,000.00</u>	52,162.05

State:

Regional School District			
Aid (Pathfinder)		51,215.00	
School Building Assistance		33,468.00	
Bureau of Library Extension		8,760.00	
Highway Fund		<u>236,788.69</u>	330,231.69

County:

Dog Fund			<u>4,404.78</u>
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Total Grants			386,798.52
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FEES FOR CURRENT SERVICES:

General Government:

Planning Board		1,316.00	
Board of Appeals		145.00	

Public Safety:

Wire Inspection		99.00	
Gas Installation Inspection		283.00	
Police Dept.-Accident Reports		765.00	
Sealer of Weights & Measures		1,125.10	
Conservation Commission		125.00	
Dog Release Fees		<u>204.00</u>	2,601.10

Highways:

Highway Dept. - Sewer Connections		<u>3,200.00</u>	
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Total Fees for Current Services			7,262.10
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REIMBURSEMENT FOR CURRENT EXPENSES:

Highways - Chap. 90 Maint.:

State		4,997.75	
County		<u>4,997.75</u>	9,995.50

Highways - Chap. 90 Constr.:

State			17,587.46
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Public Assistance:

State:

Veteran's Services			15,871.66
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Schools:

Vocational Education & Transportation of Pupils	62,359.00	
Vocational Education	22,066.00	
Transportation	136,566.76	
Tuition - State Wards	<u>646.38</u>	221,638.14

Total Reimbursement for Current Expenses	265,092.76
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INTEREST INCOME:

On Certificates of Deposit	8,898.45
On Taxes	21,757.21
On Savings	13,082.93
On Conservation Trust Fund	<u>1,259.94</u>

Total Interest Income	44,998.53
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TRUST FUND INCOME:

Merrick Fund	67.81
Thompson Fund	76.26
Fuller Fund - Schools	80.15
Fuller Fund - Parks	160.36
Cemetery Perpetual Care	<u>7,740.07</u>

Total Trust Fund Income	8,124.65
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AGENCY: Dog Licenses for County	5,573.50
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TRUST:

Payroll Deductions:

Federal	468,064.63	
State	138,968.31	
Retirement	44,453.63	
Blue Cross - Blue Shield	83,033.40	
Life Insurance Premiums	<u>7,100.25</u>	741,620.22

School Athletic Program	8,063.74
School Lunch Program	268,518.40
Cemetery Fund Income	<u>6,635.00</u>

Total Trust	1,024,837.36
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MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS:

Loans in Anticipation of Taxes	2,500,000.00
Serial Bond Loans - Urban Renewal	5,600,000.00
Proceeds - Main St. Three Rivers Sewer Loan	<u>113,000.00</u>

Total Municipal Indebtedness	8,213,000.00
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RENTALS:

Town Building & Properties	10,625.00
Memorial Hall	484.00
Schools - Auditorium & Cafeteria	<u>231.00</u>

Total Rentals	11,340.00
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FEDERAL REVENUE SHARING REIMBURSEMENT:

PL 92-512	255,044.00
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LOCAL AID FUND:

Lottery Distribution	63,672.76
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INVESTMENTS:

Certificates of Deposit	1,250,000.00
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MISCELLANEOUS:

Damage Claims Recoveries	1,611.99
Other Revenue:	
Flood Relief: Water Emergency - Bondsville	
Water District	6,043.48
Blue Cross Experience Record	10,032.00
Board of Selectmen - Sale of Parking Meters,	
Bicycles	341.50
Town Clerk - Storage Fees	390.00
Federal Anti-Trust Settlement	498.53
Franchise Fee - Pioneer Valley Cablevision	2,245.50
Gift - Diamond International Corp. Sewage	
Treatment Studies	24,000.00
Police - Off Duty Work Detail	11,005.50
All Other - Estimated Receipts	<u>978.56</u>

Total Miscellaneous	57,147.06
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REFUNDS:

Credited to Appropriations	20,000.67
Credited to Estimated Receipts	<u>9,843.40</u>

Total Refunds	29,844.07
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TOTAL RECEIPTS	16,564,442.70
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Add Cash Balance, January 1, 1973	<u>421,749.96</u>
	16,986,192.66

Less Cash Disbursements	<u>16,206,025.54</u>
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Cash Balance, June 30, 1974	780,167.12
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STATEMENT OF CASH DISBURSEMENTS

YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1974

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

SELECTMEN:

Board Salaries	6,390.00	
Secretary's Salary	3,575.40	
Office Expense & Supplies	4,120.04	
Telephone	1,156.31	
Travel & Conferences	1,332.65	
Town Meeting Expenses	963.00	
Warrant Expenses	<u>2,514.37</u>	\$20,051.77

SELECTMEN'S CONTINGENT ACCOUNT:

House Numbering	176.45	
Printing, Postage	63.95	
Miscellaneous Expense	169.91	
Real Estate Tax - Water St. Land	<u>453.40</u>	863.71

TOWN ACCOUNTANT:

Salary	15,188.63	
Clerical	5,848.72	
Travel & Conferences	407.29	
Office Expense & Supplies	<u>314.93</u>	21,759.57

TOWN TREASURER:

Salary	15,832.00	
Clerical	8,260.45	
Telephone	501.56	
Office Expense & Supplies	7,808.80	
Rental - Postage Meter	2,156.74	
Maintenance of Office Equipment	125.82	
Bond Certification and Registration Fees	396.00	
Travel	649.74	
Data Processing Service	<u>2,333.93</u>	38,065.04

TAX COLLECTOR:

Salary	10,768.50	
Clerical	9,681.86	
Office Expenses & Supplies	4,218.06	
Telephone	328.55	
Surety Bond	842.00	
Travel, Dues, Misc.	853.94	
Printing Tax Bills	140.69	
Tax Title Expense	<u>309.68</u>	27,143.28

TOWN CLERK:

Salary	5,010.00	
Clerical	6,177.92	
File	245.00	
Telephone	338.52	
Extra Clerical	103.75	
Office Expense & Supplies	<u>1,154.99</u>	13,030.18

ELECTION & REGISTRATION:

Registrar's Salaries	1,815.38	
Clerical	265.20	
Election Officers	2,495.48	
Ballots	627.80	
Tally Sheets & Voting Lists	993.85	
Registration & Listing	3,852.25	
Street Lists	552.70	
Misc. Election Expenses	59.81	
Office Expense & Supplies	<u>432.91</u>	11,095.38

ASSESSORS:

Board Salaries	6,787.50	
Clerical	10,663.00	
Telephone	349.31	
Photostats	506.90	
Office Expense & Supplies	2,067.07	
Travel	1,226.72	
Assessor's Engineering	<u>1,350.00</u>	22,950.50

Article 4 - Special Town Meeting - 1/28/74 -		
Legal Expense - Board of Assessors vs Santucci et al		2,013.10

Article 3 - Special Town Meeting - 5/13/74 -		
Revaluation, Personal & Real Estate		2,359.70

LAW AND CLAIMS:

Salary of Town Counsel	5,050.00	
Town Counsel Office Expense	394.63	
Special Legal Services	<u>2,368.80</u>	7,813.43

LICENSE COMMISSION EXPENSES:

Travel	232.15	
Office Expense & Supplies	<u>28.40</u>	260.55

MEMORIAL HALL:

Custodian's Salary	1,946.70	
Electricity and Water	399.31	
Building Repairs	421.84	
General Supplies	<u>131.87</u>	2,899.72

PALMER TOWN BUILDING:

Custodian's Salary	4,480.50	
Care of Grounds - Labor	972.80	
Lights/Heat/Power	6,447.06	
General Bldg. Supplies/Expenses	1,552.00	
Miscellaneous Repairs	1,482.64	
Art. 12 - 1973 - Unpaid Bills of Previous Years	<u>72.00</u>	15,007.00

TOWN ENGINEER:

Salary		7,200.00
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CONSULTING ENGINEER:		5,013.06
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FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Salary of Secretary	525.00	
Office Expense & Supplies	<u>938.21</u>	1,463.21

PLANNING BOARD:

Salary of Secretary	450.00	
Office Expense	314.27	
Telephone	335.10	
Printing-Zoning Booklets/Maps	<u>1,149.00</u>	2,248.37

BOARD OF APPEALS:

Expenses		345.11
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CHARTER PETITION COMMISSION EXPENSES		2,000.00
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CHARTER COMMISSION EXPENSES		7,797.69
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TOWN MODERATOR		150.00
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PALMER INDUSTRIAL PARK URBAN RENEWAL		2,200,000.00
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TOTAL FOR GENERAL GOVERNMENT		\$2,411,530.37
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PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

POLICE:

Salary of Chief	24,289.20	
Patrolmen	239,718.83	
Clerical	21,874.18	
Matrol & Other Services	384.25	
School Crossing Guards	19,881.25	
Court Prosecutor	4,500.00	
Clothing & Equipment for Men	3,281.60	
Gas and Oil	12,220.69	
Radio Repairs	1,369.55	
Maintenance of Cruisers	4,891.90	
Electricity	168.47	
Telephone	1,717.88	
Office Equipment & Supplies	2,299.02	
Lock-up Expenses (meals, etc.)	98.30	
Medical Expenses	556.18	
Officer's Ammunition	150.00	
Dues, Miscellaneous	85.00	
Officer's Training School	521.88	
Law Enforcement - Drugs/Narcotics	<u>90.00</u>	338,098.18

Article 6 - 1973 - Police Cruisers		7,791.01
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CIVIL DEFENSE:

Director's Salary	525.00	
Expenses	<u>177.82</u>	702.82

FOREST WARDEN:

Forest Warden's Salary	2,611.00	
Telephone	144.00	
Fires	1,352.00	
Gas and Oil	164.31	
Supplies & Repairs	438.68	
OUT-OF-DISTRICT FIRES	<u>3,003.00</u>	7,712.99

TREE DEPARTMENT:

Labor	1,346.40	
Trucking	1,284.00	
Equipment Hire	965.50	
Supplies & Repairs	343.13	
Trees for Planting	2,510.50	
Tree & Stump Removal	<u>100.00</u>	6,549.53

BRUSH AND WEED CONTROL:

Labor	2,988.40	
Trucking	2,820.00	
Supplies & Repairs	<u>253.73</u>	6,062.13

DUTCH ELM DISEASE:

Labor	2,195.20	
Trucking	2,088.00	
Tree & Stump Removal	506.50	
Supplies & Repairs	736.18	
Equipment Hire	<u>1,362.50</u>	6,888.38

INSECT PEST CONTROL:

Labor	2,206.00	
Trucking	1,710.00	
Supplies & Repairs	258.11	
Insecticides	<u>1,246.25</u>	5,420.36

SEALER:

Salary	1,561.00	
Telephone	117.92	
Travel	592.70	
Office Expense & Supplies	<u>150.85</u>	2,422.47

DOG OFFICER:

Salary	1,500.00	
Boarding of Dogs	1,932.00	
Destroying of Dogs	673.00	
Telephone	144.00	
Electricity	21.12	
Travel	276.60	
Miscellaneous Supplies	261.78	
Enclosure of Dog Pound	<u>656.00</u>	5,464.50

GAS INSPECTOR

750.00

TOWN FIRE ENGINEERS	112.50
CONSERVATION COMMISSION EXPENSES	233.96
WIRE INSPECTOR - SALARY & EXPENSES	645.00
TOTAL FOR PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY	\$388,853.83

HEALTH AND SANITATION

HEALTH, BOARD OF:

Board Salaries	2,494.27	
Agent	624.00	
Office Expense & Supplies	357.46	
Travel	898.29	
Palmer Visiting Nurse Association	9,000.00	
P.H. & T.B. Follow-up Visits - Palmer Visiting Nurse	710.12	
Telephone	46.62	
Clinics	2,290.50	
Plumbing Inspector - Salary & Expenses	1,050.00	
Vermin Control - Salary	450.00	
Expenses	144.00	
Rat Bait	223.50	
Milk Inspection - Salary & Expenses	405.00	
Parochial School Doctor	250.00	
Animal Inspection	1,125.00	
Clerical	780.00	20,848.76

TOWN DUMP:

Caretaker's Labor	7,550.44	
Equipment Operator	1,795.50	
Equipment Hire	17,119.75	
Lubricants & Gas	423.33	
Repairs to Equipment	307.03	
Lights/Heat/Power	150.11	
Fill	1,091.45	
Miscellaneous	57.85	28,495.46

1972 - Art. 4 - Engineering Costs - Sanitary Landfill - STM 12-18-72	8,490.20
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GARBAGE COLLECTION	30,900.00
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WING MEMORIAL HOSPITAL	3,000.00
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SEWER TRUNKMAIN CLEANING:

Equipment Hire	1,662.00	
Materials/Supplies	4,290.21	5,952.21

GENERAL SEWER MAINTENANCE:

Sewer Line Rights	41.00	
Equipment Hire	679.50	
Equipment/Supplies	1,508.71	
Pipe & Fittings	2,779.19	
Cleaning Catch Basins	9,242.15	14,250.55

1973 - Art. 47 - Spring St. - A

Materials and Supplies	309.16
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1973 - Art. 48 - Main St. - C

Materials and Supplies	112,553.06
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1973 - Art. 17 - RAP, Inc.	8,499.90
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TOTAL FOR HEALTH AND SANITATION	\$233,299.30
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HIGHWAYS

HIGHWAY SALARIES	163,771.65
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GENERAL HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE:

Superintendent	114.96	
Labor	2,702.48	
Clerk	957.00	
Gas/Oil/Fuel	14,095.01	
Telephone	726.69	
Lights/Heat/Power	1,347.64	
Equipment Hire	120.00	
Office Expense & Supplies	1,087.91	
Supplies/Equipment/Repairs	29,633.56	
Painting - Cross Walks/Parking Lines	691.80	
Painting - Center Line Road	3,672.85	
Diesel Fuel Tax	414.56	
Snow Plow	955.00	56,519.46

Article 6 - 1973 - Highway Equipment	48,107.00
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STREETS AND SIGNS:

Pipe	681.78	
Materials/Supplies	358.18	
Signs	1,726.21	
Repairs to Traffic Lights	845.15	
Electricity	2,689.47	6,300.79

Bridge Maintenance	3,471.42
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1972 - Art. 30 - Alden St. - A

Materials and Supplies	1,089.00
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1972 - Art. 46 - Foster St. - A

Materials and Supplies	2,869.84
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1973 - Art. 30 - Cedar Hill St. - A

Materials and Supplies	7,495.44
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1973 - Art. 31 - Flynt St. - A

Materials and Supplies	8,703.92
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1973 - Art. 34 - Lawrence St. - A

Materials and Supplies	17,211.35
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1973 - Art. 35 - Mason St. - A Materials and Supplies	15,129.89
1973 - Art. 36 - Mason St. - A Materials and Supplies	1,498.69
1973 - Art. 37 - Pine St. - A Materials and Supplies	7,092.19
1973 - Art. 38 - Rondeau Rd. - B Materials and Supplies	6,952.91
1973 - Art. 39 - Chudy St. - C Materials and Supplies	2,095.72
1973 - Art. 40 - North St. - C Materials and Supplies	1,278.35
1973 - Art. 41 - Overlook St. - C Materials and Supplies	5,583.39
1973 - Art. 42 - State St. - D Materials and Supplies	4,384.73
1973 - Art. 43-B - Conant St. - A Materials and Supplies	1,278.35
1973 - Art. 43-C - Thorndike St. - A Materials and Supplies	1,867.58
1973 - Art. 43-D - River St. - B (Bernier Property) Materials and Supplies	1,164.24
1973 - Art. 43-F - Church St. - B Materials and Supplies	917.22
1973 - Art. 43-G - River St. - B (Ch. 90 M. Overlay) Materials and Supplies	6,687.52
1973 - Art. 43-H - Springfield St. - C Materials and Supplies	662.00
1973 - Art. 44-D - River St. - B (east side - berm) Materials and Supplies	499.97
TOTAL FOR HIGHWAYS	\$372,632.62

SIDEWALKS AND CURBS

GENERAL MAINTENANCE:

Supplies and Repairs	7,483.07
1970 - Art. 51-D - Main St. - A Material and Supplies	2,665.83
1972 - Art. 52-S - State St. - D Material and Supplies	2,202.93

1973 - Art. 45-A - Fairview St. - A Material and Supplies	606.66
1973 - Art. 45-B - Main St. - A Material and Supplies	1,508.03
1973 - Art. 45-D - Main St. - D Material and Supplies	458.80
1973 - Art. 45-E - State St. - D Material and Supplies	94.45
TOTAL FOR SIDEWALKS AND CURBS	\$ 15,019.77

SURFACE TREATMENT OF STREETS WITH
BITUMINOUS MATERIALS:

Sand	2,501.49	
Gravel	794.02	
Liquid Bituminous Material	9,069.88	
Concrete Bituminous Material	7,784.57	
Miscellaneous	<u>350.01</u>	20,499.97

SNOW REMOVAL:

Equipment Hire	6,151.25	
Repairs/Tools/Equipment	14,930.73	
Gas/Oil	1,491.91	
Salt	16,519.20	
Sand	3,677.76	
Town of Wilbraham (Plowing)	392.00	
Miscellaneous Expense	<u>208.76</u>	43,371.61

STREET LIGHTING 53,020.13

1971 - Art. 37 - Chapter 90 Construction -
Thorndike/Ware Streets - A:

Superintendent	960.00	
Labor	5,808.24	
Material/Supplies	715.54	
Equipment Hire	4,356.00	
Gas/Oil	439.28	
Engineering Survey	420.00	
Pipe	<u>3,821.03</u>	16,520.09

1972 - Art. 29 - Chapter 90 Construction -
Ware St. - A:

Superintendent	200.00	
Labor	976.40	
Material/Supplies	838.09	
Pipe	1,058.23	
Equipment Hire	800.00	
Gas and Oil	<u>1,191.46</u>	5,064.18

1973 - Art. 27 - Chapter 90 Maintenance -
Material and Supplies 21,784.37

1973 - Art. 22 - Traffic Signals for School Zones	4,299.58
1973 - Art. 23 - Traffic Control Signals - Park/Central Streets - A	2,811.16
Channel Dredging - Quaboag River - C	2,999.00

CHARITIES AND SOLDIER'S BENEFITS

VETERAN'S BENEFITS:

Salary of Agent	12,698.00	
Clerical	827.00	
Administrative Expenses	526.53	
Emergency Provisions	955.41	
Telephone	365.26	
Hospital/Medical/Dental	28,498.76	
Art. 12 - 1973 - Unpaid Bills of Previous Years	6,147.93	
Ordinary Allowances	36,636.48	
Blue Cross - Blue Shield	1,157.80	
Grave Markers	52.65	
		87,865.82

RENT - WORLD WAR I VETERANS	150.00
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TOTAL FOR CHARITIES AND SOLDIER'S BENEFITS	\$ 88,015.82
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SCHOOLS

SCHOOLS, operation of:

Administration - Salaries	67,180.48	
Administration - Expenses	11,162.24	
Instruction - Salaries	2,213,897.31	
Instruction - Expenses	333,370.16	
Health	19,899.32	
Custodians	134,783.94	
Operation & Maintenance of Plant	168,856.70	
Other School Services	250,552.64	
Insurance	44,942.99	
Community Service	36.00	
Equipment	18,138.75	
Trade School Expenses	45,375.48	
Tuition	3,863.06	
Repairs	64,541.91	
Rental - St. Ann's School	5,560.00	
Rental - St. Thomas Parish Center	6,260.00	
Building Aides	62,729.93	
Group Life Insurance	3,559.04	
Blue Cross - Blue Shield	44,467.72	
		3,499,177.67

SCHOOLS, other expenses:

School Lunch - Salaries	68,327.84	
School Lunch - Expenses	194,631.41	
School Athletics	8,132.03	
PL 89-10 Title I	15,064.70	
PL 89-10 Title I	313.56	
PL 89-511 Title II	9,926.94	
PL 85-864 Title III	9,808.31	
PL 89-10 Title I	13,174.45	
ESEA Title I	1,925.00	
		321,304.24

1967 - Art. 4 - Preliminary Expenses	1,004.41
PATHFINDER REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT	396,805.70
1973 - Art. 24 - Heat Detectors - Relocatables - A (4) Elementary Schools & Town Building	27.97
PALMER PUBLIC LIBRARY	68,137.00

PARKS, RECREATION AND CELEBRATIONS

PARKS:

Labor	51,519.46	
Trucking	1,794.00	
Truck Insurance	195.14	
Truck Repairs/Expenses	1,158.22	
Supplies/Repairs	6,947.77	
Gas/Oil	1,676.54	
Electricity/Water	1,258.21	
Telephones	286.05	
Equipment Hire	406.00	
Misc. Playground Equipment	1,487.50	
Maint. - New Burleigh Park	701.00	
Appraisal - Water St. Land	750.00	
Interest - Inez B. Fuller Fund	119.85	
Storage Tank	350.00	
Legion Field - Maint. & Repairs	<u>975.62</u>	69,625.36
1973 - Art. 6 - Park Equipment		2,124.35

MAINTENANCE OF GROUNDS - PEE WEE PARK:

Labor	1,512.80	
Equipment/Supplies	<u>283.25</u>	1,796.05

RECREATION:

Labor	10,901.95	
Transportation	3,236.70	
Travel	145.90	
Recreation Supplies & Equipment	<u>4,929.90</u>	19,214.45

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE	1,699.05
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1973 - Art. 13 - Pee Wee Baseball Midget League Umpires	787.00
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1973 - Art. 14 - Palmer Cowboy Football Team	1,300.00
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TOTAL FOR PARKS, RECREATION AND CELEBRATIONS	\$ 96,546.26
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CEMETERIES:

Labor	28,133.77
Salary of Secretary	2,250.00
Trucking	1,560.00
Electricity/Water	44.63
Gas and Oil	363.67

41	General Supplies/Repairs	543.65	
	Snow Removal	270.00	
70	New Equipment	<u>3,418.95</u>	37,042.68

PENSIONS

97	County Retirement Assessment		68,209.61
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INSURANCE

	Blue Cross - Blue Shield	28,549.32	
	Group Life Insurance	2,625.42	
	General Insurance	<u>41,861.53</u>	73,036.27

UNCLASSIFIED

	Town Reports	4,757.94	
	County Aid to Agriculture	75.00	
	Bottling License to State	20.00	
	Anticipation of Revenue Loan	2,000,000.00	
	Lower Pioneer Valley Planning Commission	2,102.40	
	Pioneer Valley Air Pollution Control	986.79	
	Tax Title Redemptions	1,308.72	
	1973 - Art. 15 - Conservation Fund	5,000.00	
	Certificate of Deposit - Cash	1,150,000.00	
	Federal Revenue Sharing	81,537.00	
	Interest - Conservation Fund	1,259.94	
	Police - Off Duty Work Detail	10,429.50	
6	Gift - Diamond International Corp. - Sewage Treatment Project Studies	<u>2,508.02</u>	3,259,985.31

INTEREST AND MATURING DEBT

INTEREST:

5	Tax Anticipation Notes	41,454.62	
	School Bonds	15,900.00	
	Thorndike St. Sewer Bonds	5,472.00	
	Three Rivers Flood Control	7,962.51	
	Urban Renewal Project	46,179.33	
	Relocatable Classrooms	<u>7,848.37</u>	124,816.83

MATURING DEBT:

5	Principal - School Bonds	80,000.00	
	Principal - Thorndike St. Sewer	12,800.00	
	Principal - Three Rivers Flood Control	35,000.00	
	Principal - Relocatable Classrooms	58,353.89	
0	Principal - Serial Bond Loan - Urban Renewal	<u>3,400,000.00</u>	3,586,153.89

STATE AND COUNTY

6	County Tax	186,148.19	
	State Recreation Areas	36,736.33	
	Audit - Municipal Accounts	131.71	
	State Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Bills	<u>1,102.20</u>	224,118.43

REFUNDS

ON TAXES:

Real Estate	13,405.07
Motor Vehicle Excise	10,410.85

GENERAL:

Life Insurance	19.10	
Health Insurance	332.09	
Trailer Coach Fees - Overpayment	390.00	
All Other	<u>26.05</u>	24,583.10

DOG LICENSES TO COUNTY

5,458.00

TRUST

Payroll Withholdings:

Federal	467,273.07	
State	135,609.62	
County Retirement	43,736.81	
Blue Cross	81,978.32	
Group Life Insurance	6,948.44	
Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund	<u>4,350.00</u>	739,896.20

TOTAL CASH DISBURSEMENTS

\$16,206,025.50

Cash on hand, June 30, 1974

780,167.10

TOTAL

\$16,986,192.60

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS, EXPENDITURES AND BALANCES
18-MONTH PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 1974

	<u>Appro. As</u> <u>Modified</u>	<u>Expended</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>Surplus</u>	<u>Forward</u>
<u>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</u>				
<u>Selectmen:</u>				
Board Salaries	6,390.00	6,390.00		
Secretary's Salary	3,575.40	3,575.40		
Other Expenses	11,505.00	10,086.37	1,418.63	
Out-of-State Travel	75.00		75.00	
Contingent Account	1,500.00	863.71	636.29	
<u>Accountant:</u>				
Salary	15,188.63	15,188.63		
Clerical	6,020.30	5,848.72	171.58	
Out-of-State Travel	100.00	98.80	1.20	
Other Expenses	630.00	623.42	6.58	
<u>Treasurer:</u>				
Salary	15,832.00	15,832.00		
Clerical	8,625.50	8,260.45	365.05	
Other Expenses	16,130.25	13,972.59	2,157.66	
<u>Collector:</u>				
Salary	10,768.50	10,768.50		
Clerical	9,682.00	9,681.86	.14	
Other Expenses	6,696.50	6,692.92	3.58	
<u>Town Clerk:</u>				
Salary	5,010.00	5,010.00		
Clerical	7,356.00	6,177.92	1,178.08	
Other Expenses	1,984.00	1,842.26	141.74	
<u>Election & Registration:</u>				
Registrar's Salary	1,854.00	1,815.38	38.62	
Other Expenses	9,280.00	9,280.00		
<u>Assessors:</u>				
Salaries	6,787.50	6,787.50		
Clerical	10,663.00	10,663.00		
Other Expenses	4,150.00	4,150.00		
Mapping & Engineering	1,350.00	1,350.00		
Legal Expenditures; Board of Assessors vs. Santucci				
Art. 4 Sp. Twn. Mtg. 1/28/74	7,000.00	2,013.10		4,986.90
Reval., Real & Pers. Prop.				
Art. 3 Sp. Twn. Mtg. 5/13/74	38,390.00	2,359.70		36,030.30
<u>Town Counsel:</u>				
Salary	5,050.00	5,050.00		
Law & Claims Other Expenses	3,850.00	1,443.43	2,406.57	
Outside Legal Services	3,000.00	1,320.00	1,680.00	
Out-of-State Travel	100.00		100.00	
<u>License Commission:</u>				
Expenses	300.00	260.55	39.45	

	<u>Appro. As Modified</u>	<u>Expended</u>	<u>Balance Surplus</u>	<u>Forward</u>
<u>Memorial Hall:</u>				
Custodian's Salary	1,946.70	1,946.70		
Other Expenses	1,395.00	953.02	441.98	
<u>Palmer Town Building:</u>				
Custodian's Salaries	4,480.50	4,480.50		
Care of Grounds	975.00	972.80	2.20	
Other Expenses	10,065.00	9,481.70	583.30	
Art. 12 Unpaid Bills of Previous Years	72.00	72.00		
<u>Engineering:</u>				
Town Engineer - Salary	7,200.00	7,200.00		
Consulting Engineer	6,000.00	5,013.06	986.94	
<u>Finance Committee:</u>				
Expenses	1,505.00	1,463.21	41.79	
<u>Planning Board:</u>				
Expenses	2,690.00	1,798.37	891.63	
Salary of Clerk	450.00	450.00		
<u>Board of Appeals:</u>				
Expenses	975.00	345.11	629.89	
<u>Palmer Redevelopment Authority:</u>	7,500.00		7,500.00	
Charter Petition Committee:	2,202.62	2,000.00	202.62	
Charter Committee:	10,000.00	7,797.69	2,202.31	
Moderator:	150.00	150.00		
<u>Police Department:</u>				
Salaries	318,322.54	310,419.46	7,903.08	
Other Expenses	27,962.00	27,834.72	127.28	
Art. 6 1973 Police Cruisers	11,800.00	7,791.01	4,008.99	
<u>Civil Defense:</u>				
Salary	525.00	525.00		
Other Expenses	525.00	177.82	347.18	
<u>PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY</u>				
<u>Forest Warden:</u>				
Salary	2,611.00	2,611.00		
Other Expenses	2,394.00	2,098.99	295.01	
Out-of-District Fires	3,250.00	3,003.00	247.00	
<u>Tree Warden:</u>				
Labor	1,350.00	1,346.40	3.60	
Other Expenses	5,280.00	5,203.13	76.87	
<u>Brush & Weed Control:</u>				
Labor	3,000.00	2,988.40	11.60	
Other Expenses	3,100.00	3,073.73	26.27	

	<u>Appro. As Modified</u>	<u>Expended</u>	<u>Balance Surplus</u>	<u>Forward</u>
<u>Dutch Elm Disease:</u>				
Labor	2,250.00	2,195.20	54.80	
Other Expenses	4,770.00	4,693.18	76.82	
<u>Insect Pest Control:</u>				
Labor	2,264.40	2,206.00	58.40	
Other Expenses	3,261.70	3,214.36	47.34	
<u>Sealer:</u>				
Salary	1,561.00	1,561.00		
Other Expenses	863.30	861.47	1.83	
<u>Dog Officer:</u>				
Salary	1,500.00	1,500.00		
Other Expenses	4,581.00	3,964.50	616.50	
<u>Gas Inspector:</u>				
Salary & Expenses	750.00	750.00		
<u>Town Fire Engineers:</u>	112.50	112.50		
<u>Conservation Commission:</u>				
Expenses	450.00	233.96	216.04	
<u>Wire Inspector:</u>				
Salary	600.00	600.00		
Other Expenses	75.00	45.00	30.00	
<u>Historical Commission:</u>	100.00			100.00

HEALTH AND SANITATION

<u>Board of Health:</u>				
Salaries	2,575.00	2,494.27	80.73	
Health Agent's Salary	624.00	624.00		
Other Expenses	8,280.00	6,150.49	2,129.51	
<u>Milk Inspection:</u>				
Salary	300.00	300.00		
Other Expenses	105.00	105.00		
<u>Animal Inspection:</u>				
Salary & Expenses	1,125.00	1,125.00		
<u>Vital Statistics:</u>	1,250.00		450.00	800.00
<u>Palmer Visiting Nurse Association:</u>	9,000.00	9,000.00		
<u>Plumbing Inspector:</u>				
Salary & Expenses	1,050.00	1,050.00		
<u>Town Dump:</u>	29,422.46	29,271.78	150.68	
<u>Art. 4 Sp. Twn. Mtg. 12/18/72</u>				
Engineering Costs Sanitary Landfill	8,500.00	8,490.20	9.80	

	<u>Appro. As Modified</u>	<u>Expended</u>	<u>Balance Surplus</u>	<u>Forward</u>
<u>Art. 5 Sp. Twn. Mtg. 12/18/72</u>				
Land Acquisition - Sanitary Landfill	23,500.00			23,500.00
<u>Garbage Collection:</u>	30,900.00	30,900.00		
<u>Wing Memorial Hospital Fund:</u>	3,000.00	3,000.00		
<u>Art. 17-1973 RAP INC.:</u>	8,500.00	8,499.90	.10	
<u>Sewer Trunkmain Cleaning:</u>	6,000.00	5,952.21	47.79	
<u>General Sewer Maintenance:</u>	16,160.43	16,135.98	24.45	
<u>Art. 16-1967 Appraisal Expendi- tures for Sewage Disposal System</u>	16,000.00			16,000.00
<u>Art. 60-C 1969 South High St.- D</u>	2,800.00			2,800.00
<u>Art. 6-1969 Wilbraham St. Sp. Twn. Mtg. 5/5/69</u>	34,619.80			34,619.80
<u>Art. 63-1971 Wastewater Treatment Program Engr. & Legal Services</u>	3,824.23			3,824.23
<u>Art. 47-1973 Spring St.-A</u>	390.00	309.16	80.84	
<u>Art. 48-1973 Main St.-C</u>	116,000.00	112,553.06		3,446.94
<u>HIGHWAYS AND SIDEWALKS</u>				
<u>Highway Department:</u>				
Salaries	182,610.54	163,771.65	18,838.89	
<u>General Highway Maintenance:</u>	56,527.00	56,519.46	7.54	
<u>Street Signs:</u>	6,350.00	6,300.79	49.21	
<u>Art. 6-1973</u>				
Highway Dept. Equipment	51,400.00	48,107.00	3,293.00	
<u>Bridge Maintenance:</u>	3,580.00	3,471.42	108.58	
<u>Art. 37-1971 Chap. 90 Constr. Thorndike & Warren Sts.-A</u>	16,520.17	16,520.09	.08	
<u>Art. 29-1972 Chap. 90 Constr. Warren St.</u>	35,195.00	5,064.18		30,130.82
<u>Art. 27-1973 Chap. 90 Maint.</u>	21,791.00	21,784.37	6.63	
<u>Art. 28-1973 Chap. 90 Constr.</u>	35,200.00			35,200.00
<u>Art. 55-1966 Gates St.-B</u>	2,690.00			2,690.00

	<u>Appro. As Modified</u>	<u>Expended</u>	<u>Balance Surplus</u>	<u>Forward</u>
<u>Art. 30-1972 Alden St.-A</u>	1,667.38	1,089.00		578.38
<u>Art. 46-1972 Foster St.-D</u>	2,870.00	2,869.84	.16	
<u>Art. 30-1973 Cedar Hill St.-A</u>	7,600.00	7,495.44	104.56	
<u>Art. 31-1973 Flynt St.-A</u>	26,500.00	8,703.92		17,796.08
<u>Art. 34-1973 Lawrence St.-A</u>	18,000.00	17,211.35	788.65	
<u>Art. 35-1973 Mason St.-A</u>	16,000.00	15,129.89		870.11
<u>Art. 36-1973 Mason St.-A</u>	1,500.00	1,498.69	1.31	
<u>Art. 37-1973 Pine St.-A</u>	8,700.00	7,092.19	1,607.81	
<u>Art. 38-1973 Rondeau Rd.-B</u>	7,000.00	6,952.91	47.09	
<u>Art. 39-1973 Chudy St.-C</u>	2,100.00	2,095.72	4.28	
<u>Art. 40-1973 North St.-C</u>	13,000.00	1,278.35		11,721.65
<u>Art. 41-1973 Overlook St.-C</u>	5,600.00	5,583.39	16.61	
<u>Art. 42-1973 State St.-D</u>	4,600.00	4,384.73	215.27	
<u>Art. 43-B-1973 Conant St.-A</u>	2,000.00	1,278.35		721.65
<u>Art. 43-C-1973 Thorndike St.-A</u>	2,650.00	1,867.58		782.42
<u>Art. 43-D-1973 River St.-B</u>	1,170.00	1,164.24	5.76	
<u>Art. 43-F-1973 Church St.-B</u>	1,000.00	917.22	82.78	
<u>Art. 43-G-1973 River St.-B</u>	7,000.00	6,687.52	312.48	
<u>Art. 43-H-1973 Springfield St.-C</u>	700.00	662.00	38.00	
<u>Art. 44-D-1973 River St.-B</u>	500.00	499.97	.03	
Traffic Control Signals-A. Twn. Mtg. 3/12/73 <u>Art. 23-1973</u>	20,000.00	2,811.16		17,188.84
<u>Channel Dredging-Quaboag R.</u>	3,000.00	2,999.00	1.00	
<u>Art. 4 Sp. Twn. Mtg. 5/13/74</u> Traffic Control Signals	5,000.00			5,000.00
<u>SIDEWALKS</u>				
<u>General Sidewalk Maint.</u>	7,500.00	7,483.07	16.93	
<u>Art. 51-D-1970 Main St.-A</u>	2,700.00	2,665.83	34.17	
<u>Art. 51-H-1970 Main St.-B</u>	500.00			500.00

	<u>Appro. As Modified</u>	<u>Expended</u>	<u>Balance Surplus</u>	<u>Forward</u>
<u>Art. 52-S-1972 State St.-D</u>	4,200.00	2,202.93	1,997.07	
<u>Art. 45-A-1973 Fairview St.-A</u>	660.00	606.66	53.34	
<u>Art. 45-B-1973 Main St.-A</u>	1,633.00	1,508.03	124.97	
<u>Art. 45-D-1973 Main St.-D</u>	500.00	458.80	41.20	
<u>Art. 45-E-1973 State St.-D</u>	100.00	94.45	5.55	
<u>Surface Treatment of Sts.:</u>	22,184.83	22,184.80	.03	
<u>Snow Removal - 1973:</u>	64,047.12	63,618.73	428.39	
<u>Street Lighting:</u>	53,020.13	53,020.13		

VETERANS' DEPARTMENT

Veterans' Agents Salary	12,698.00	12,698.00	
Veterans' Clerical	900.00	827.00	73.00
Veterans' Benefits	69,149.95	67,248.45	1,901.50
Veterans' Other Expenses	1,060.00	944.44	115.56
Art. 12-1973 Unpaid Bills of Previous Years Vets' Benefits	6,148.13	6,147.93	.20
Rent for WWI Veterans	150.00	150.00	

EDUCATION

Public Schools & Maint.	3,500,596.16	3,500,363.00	233.16
Art. 4-1967 Preliminary Exp. Sp. Twn. Mtg. 9/30/67	1,273.85	1,004.41	269.44
Pathfinder Reg. Voc. Tech.			
High School District	396,805.70	396,805.70	
Art. 24 A. Twn. Mtg. 3/12/73			
Heat Detectors	19,780.00	27.97	19,752.03

LIBRARIES

Palmer Public Library:	68,137.00	68,137.00	
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PARKS, RECREATION & CELEBRATIONS

Park Salaries	51,525.56	51,519.46	6.10
Park Other Expenses	20,113.35	20,110.40	2.95
Pee Wee Park - Maint. of Grounds	1,800.00	1,796.05	3.95
Recreation - Salaries	12,698.98	10,901.95	1,797.03
Recreation - Other Expenses	8,650.00	8,312.50	337.50
Art. 6-1973 Pk. Dept. Equip,	2,124.35	2,124.35	
Art. 21-1973 3/12/73 Purchase of Mary Rose Coen Property- Water St.	15,000.00		15,000.00
Memorial Day Observance	1,700.00	1,699.05	.95
Art. 13-1973 Pee Wee Midget Baseball League	1,600.00	787.00	813.00

	<u>Appro. As Modified</u>	<u>Expended</u>	<u>Balance Surplus</u>	<u>Forward</u>
Art. 14-1973 Palmer Cowboy Football Team	1,300.00	1,300.00		
Bicentennial Commission	300.00			300.00

CEMETERIES

Labor	29,257.13	28,133.77	1,123.36
Salary of Secretary	2,250.00	2,250.00	
Other Expenses	7,719.00	6,658.91	1,060.09

PENSIONS

County Retirement Assessment	68,209.61	68,209.61	
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INSURANCE

General Insurance	42,853.16	41,861.53	991.63
Blue Cross-Blue Shield	30,026.72	28,549.32	1,477.40
Group Insurance-Life	2,650.00	2,625.42	24.58

UNCLASSIFIED

Town Reports	4,895.50	4,757.94	137.56
County Aid to Agriculture	75.00	75.00	
Reserve Account	45,000.00	44,425.72	574.28
Conservation Fund			
Art. 15-1973	5,000.00	5,000.00	

INTEREST & MATURING DEBT

Int.-Tax Anticipation Notes	55,158.87	41,454.62	13,704.25
Int.-School Bonds	15,900.00	15,900.00	
Assess. on Int. Paid by State on Three Rivers Flood Protection Project	7,962.51	7,962.51	
Int.-Thorndike St. Sewer Bond	5,472.00	5,472.00	
Int.-Palmer Indus. Pk. Urban Renewal	93,837.50	46,179.33	47,658.17
Int.-Reloc. Classrooms	7,848.37	7,848.37	
Prin.-School Bonds	80,000.00	80,000.00	
Prin.-Three Rivers Flood Control Project	35,000.00	35,000.00	
Prin.-Thorndike St. Sewer Bonds	12,800.00	12,800.00	
Prin.-Relocatable Classrooms	58,353.89	58,353.89	

BONDED INDEBTEDNESS

Matu- rity Year	1962	1962	1970	1972	1973	1974	Total
	High School Addition	T.R.Flood Project	Thorndike St.Sewer	Portable Classrooms	Main St. T.R.Sewer	Urban Renewal	
1975	40,000.00	17,500.00	6,400.00	29,100.00	11,000.00	200,000.00	304,000.00
1976	40,000.00	17,500.00	6,400.00	29,100.00	11,000.00	120,000.00	224,000.00
1977	40,000.00	17,500.00	6,400.00		11,000.00	120,000.00	194,900.00
1978	40,000.00	17,500.00	6,400.00		11,000.00	120,000.00	194,900.00
1979	40,000.00	17,500.00	6,400.00		11,000.00	120,000.00	194,900.00
1980	40,000.00		6,400.00		11,000.00	120,000.00	177,400.00
1981	30,000.00				11,000.00	110,000.00	151,000.00
1982	30,000.00				11,000.00	110,000.00	151,000.00
1983					11,000.00	110,000.00	121,000.00
1984						110,000.00	110,000.00
1985						110,000.00	110,000.00
1986						110,000.00	110,000.00
1987						110,000.00	110,000.00
1988						110,000.00	110,000.00
1989						105,000.00	105,000.00
1990						105,000.00	105,000.00
1991						105,000.00	105,000.00
1992						105,000.00	105,000.00
1993						105,000.00	105,000.00
	300,000.00	87,500.00	38,400.00	58,200.00	99,000.00	2,200,000.00	2,783,100.00

**RESERVE ACCOUNT
FINANCE COMMITTEE TRANSFERS**

Appropriation
(18 month period 1/1/73 - 6/30/74) \$45,000.00

RESERVE TRANSFERS

<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	
Selectmen's Other Expenses	\$3,650.00	
Accounting Clerical	650.00	
Tax Collector's Other Expenses	1,891.50	
Election and Registration Other Expenses	1,070.00	
Assessors' Expense Account	250.00	
Planning Board	1,000.00	
Police Other Expenses	5,000.00	
Out-of-District Fires	1,000.00	
Insect and Pest Control Other Expenses and Labor	1,901.10	
Sealer of Weights and Measures	123.30	
Dog Officer Other Expenses	656.00	
Historical Commission	100.00	
Town Dump Account	6,701.21	
Quaboag River Channel Dredging	3,000.00	
Street Lighting	1,126.61	
Parks - Salaries	756.00	
Bicentennial Commission	300.00	
Group Life Insurance - Town Appropriation	850.00	
General Insurance	7,400.00	
Interest on Tax Anticipation Notes	<u>7,000.00</u>	
 Total Transferred through June 30, 1974		 <u>42,875.72</u>
 Balance		 \$ 574.28

1975 TOWN WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampden, ss:

Town of Palmer

To either of the Constables of the Town of Palmer in said County.

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the Town of Palmer qualified to vote in elections of town officers to meet at the several polling places in said Palmer, designated by the Selectmen, to wit: In Precinct A at the Palmer High School; in Precinct B, at the Thorndike Grammar School; in Precinct C, at the Three Rivers Grammar School; and in Precinct D, at the Bondsville Grammar School, on Tuesday, the twenty-second day of April, 1975, (Monday, the twenty-first day of April, 1975, being a legal holiday) at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to give in their votes on one ballot to the Town, for the following officers:

For varying terms as provided by the Town Charter adopted on March 4, 1974:

Three (3) Selectmen.

(The candidate receiving the greatest number of votes shall serve for a three year term. Candidates with the second and third greatest number of votes will serve two and one year terms respectively.)

For a term of one (1) year:

Three (3) License Commissioners

One (1) Moderator

Five (5) Park Commissioners

One (1) Palmer Redevelopment Authority Member

One (1) Collector of Taxes

For a term of three (3) years:

One (1) Town Clerk

One (1) Town Treasurer

One (1) Assessor

Two (2) School Committeemen
 One (1) Board of Health Member
 One (1) Cemetery Commissioner
 One (1) Pathfinder Regional Vocational-Technical High
 School District Committeeman

For a term of four (4) years:

One (1) Planning Board Member

For a term of five (5) years:

One (1) Planning Board Member

One (1) Palmer Redevelopment Authority Member

Also to vote by ballot, which shall be "yes" or "no" upon the following question:

REFERENDUM

1. Shall licenses be granted in this town for the operation, holding or conducting a game commonly called beano?

YES	
NO	

The polls will be open at ten o'clock in the forenoon and will be closed at eight o'clock in the evening.

And you are further required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Palmer, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Palmer High School, Converse Street in said Palmer on Monday, the twenty-eighth day of April, A. D., 1975 at seven o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, viz;

ARTICLE 1. To choose all usual Town Officers.

ARTICLE 2. To hear and act on reports of committees.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning July 1, 1975, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Gen-

eral Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

Recommended.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money as permitted by law to meet any appropriations made or expenses incurred under any article of the warrant.

Recommended.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or transfer from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds, P.L. 92-512 Account and accrued interest, any sum of money for Public Safety, Environmental Protection, Public Transportation, Health, Recreation, Libraries, Social Services for the Poor and Aged, Financial Administration or Ordinary Capital Expenditures authorized by law.

175,000.00 Recommended for Police Salaries.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise money and make appropriations to defray the expenses of the Town for the ensuing year.

See Summary Article, page 137.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell at public auction, after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice of sale in some convenient and public place in the Town, and by advertising once in a local newspaper, fourteen days at least before the sale, property taken by the Town under Tax Title procedure, provided that the Selectmen or whomsoever they may authorize to hold such auction may reject any bid which they deem inadequate, or take any action relative thereto.

Recommended.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell at public auction or by bid, after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice of sale in some convenient and public place in the Town, and by advertising once in a local newspaper, fourteen days at least before the sale, any old and obsolete equipment of personal property, provided that the Select-

men or whomsoever they may authorize to hold such auction or sale may reject any bid which they deem inadequate, or take any action relative thereto.

Recommended.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to the Reserve Fund, or take any action relative thereto.

35,000.00 Recommended.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate any sum of money from Free Cash to reduce the fiscal year 1975-1976 tax levy or take any action relative thereto.

100,000.00 Recommended.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer any sum of money from the State Aid to Free Libraries Account to the use of the Palmer Public Library, or take any action relative thereto.

4,380.00 Recommended.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for unpaid bills of previous years.

Not Recommended - No requests.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to defray the expenses of the Palmer Midget Baseball League or take any action relative thereto.

1,200.00 Recommended.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to defray the expenses of the Palmer Pee Wee Cowboy Football Team or take any action relative thereto.

1,500.00 Recommended

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 or any other sum for the

Conservation Fund for purposes as described in General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 8C, as amended and Chapter 132A, Section 11, and any amendments thereto to be used by the Conservation Commission with the approval of the Selectmen, or take any other action relative thereto.

5,000.00 Recommended.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will accept the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 41, Section 108L, as most recently amended by Chapter 835 of the Acts of 1970, establishing a career incentive pay program for regular full-time Police Officers, for furthering their education in the field of police work.

Not Recommended.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to approve and ratify execution by the Board of Selectmen of a contract with Diamond International Corporation, Palmer, Mass. dated September 24, 1974 entitled "Agreement for the Treatment of Diamond International Corporation Industrial Wastewater by Town of Palmer", copies of which are on file with the Town Clerk, or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to install a gasoline pump and a 4000 gallon underground storage tank at the rear of the Town Administration Building for the use of the Police Department, or take any other action relative thereto.

Not Recommended.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money, or transfer from Chapter 90 funds, Chapter 825 funds, Chapter 1140 funds or Federal Revenue Sharing funds, a sum of money for engineering services in conjunction with the Town of Palmer's application to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Public Works for funds to implement a Highway Safety Program under the Highway Safety Act of 1973.

9,500.00 Recommended from Chap. 1140, Sect. 20 funds.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following By-law concerning repairs on private ways:

By-law regulating repairs on private ways under the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 6H, which reads as follows:

A city or town which accepts this section by vote of its city council, subject to the provisions of its charter, or a town which accepts the same at an annual town meeting, may make repairs on private ways which have been open to public use for six years or more and in such cases section twenty-five of chapter eighty-four shall not apply.

A city or town which makes such repairs under the provisions of this section shall not be liable on account of any damage whatever caused by such repairs.

The provisions of sections six E, six F and six G shall not apply in or be accepted by any city or town which accepts this section.

Not Recommended.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to accept a certain parcel of land in Palmer for park purposes from Mr. J. B. Williams, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the westerly line of Main Street, said point being 100 feet more or less, north of the northerly line of Depot Street;

Thence N66° -06' -46"W, 140.00 feet by land now or formerly of the Town of Palmer, to a point;

Thence running southerly 93 feet more or less by land now or formerly of the Town of Palmer, to a point;

Thence running westerly 65 feet more or less by the north line of Depot Street to the centerline of the Swift River;

Thence running northerly by the centerline of the Swift River, 387.5 feet more or less, to a point;

Thence running easterly S66° -06' -46"E, 335.0 feet more

or less by land now owned by J. B. Williams, to a point;

Thence running southerly along Main Street, S23° -53' -14"W, 240.00 feet, to the point of beginning;

Containing 1.24 acres more or less.

Recommended.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to defray the operating expenses of RAP, Inc. of Palmer, said appropriation authorized under the provisions of Clause (40C), Section 5, Chapter 40 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth or take any action relative thereto.

5,000.00 Recommended.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to subsidize ambulance service in the Town of Palmer, such service to be determined by the Board of Selectmen.

15,000.00 Recommended.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate any sum of money from the Comprehensive Local Transportation Aid Account, Highway Construction Bond Allocation, under Section 20, Chapter 1140 of the Acts of 1973 for the construction, reconstruction, and resurfacing of local streets. Eligible items include sidewalk construction, landscaping, tree planting, roadside drainage, bridges, traffic control devices, bicycle paths, intersection construction, land takings, and related professional services.

9,500.00 Recommended under Article 19
15,000.00 Recommended under Article 26
6,200.00 Recommended under Article 29
6,442.34 Recommended under Article 40
866.00 Recommended under Article 41
7,930.00 Recommended under Article 49
45,938.34 Total Recommended

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90, Highway

Maintenance, or take any action relative thereto.

5,000.00 Recommended by taxation.

16,791.00 Recommended to be transferred from Surplus
for State and County share.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to reconstruct Warren Street, Palmer, Precinct A, from the intersection of Route 32 as far as funds will permit, and raise and appropriate by taxation or otherwise any sum of money therefor, said sum to be used in conjunction with monies allotted by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the County of Hampden, or take any action relative thereto.

15,000.00 Recommended from Chap. 1140, Sect. 20 funds.

32,600.00 Recommended to be transferred from Surplus
for State and County share.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate any sum of money from Section one of Chapter 825 of the Acts of 1974 Local Aid Transportation Funds for Highway construction or Highway related activities, or take any action relative thereto.

45,319.00 Recommended for Highway Dept. Salaries.

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, the sum of \$6,791.00 for Chapter 90 Highway Improvement, said monies to be used in conjunction with funds appropriated under Article 24 of the Annual Town Meeting of March 11, 1974. The reimbursement from the State to be restored upon receipt, to unappropriated available funds in the Treasury.

6,791.00 Recommended from Surplus.

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Chapter 1140, Section 20 of the Acts of 1973 Highway Funds, the sum of \$6200.00 for Chapter 90 Highway Construction on Warren Street, Precinct A, said monies to be used in conjunction with funds appropriated under Article 25 of the Annual Town Meeting of March 11, 1974, or take any action relative thereto.

6,200.00 Recommended from Chap. 1140, Sect. 20 funds.

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, the sum of \$6200.00 to meet the County share of Chapter 90 Highway Construction on Warren Street, Precinct A, said monies to be used in conjunction with funds appropriated under Article 25 of the Annual Town Meeting of March 11, 1974. The reimbursement from the County to be restored upon receipt, to unappropriated available funds in the Treasury.

6,200.00 Recommended from Surplus.

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote taken on Article 24 of the Annual Town Meeting of March 11, 1974 as follows:

The original vote read as follows:

That the sum of \$5,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 Maintenance and in addition, the sum of \$10,000.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury to meet the State and County shares of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored upon their receipt, to unappropriated available funds in the Treasury.

The amendment reads as follows:

That the sum of \$2,500.00 be raised and appropriated for the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 Maintenance and in addition, the sum of \$2,500.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury to meet the County share of the cost of the work and the sum of \$5,000.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury to meet the State share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored upon their receipt, to unappropriated available funds in the Treasury.

5,000.00 Recommended to be restored to Surplus.

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to install a berm on Breton Street, Precinct A, or take any action relative thereto.

Not Recommended.

ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will vote to install curbing on the east side of Calkins Road, Precinct A, beginning at the residence of Bruce G. Vreeland, south toward Route 20, ending at the property of Andrew Jay, or take any action relative thereto.

Not Recommended.

ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to reconstruct and resurface and provide adequate drainage on Flynt Street, Precinct A, from the end of the 1972 construction to the end of the property of Mr. Uuno H. Lahti, or take any other action relative thereto.

Not Recommended.

ARTICLE 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to relocate the intersection of Flynt Street, Old Warren Road and Route 32, Precinct A, and to reconstruct, resurface and provide adequate drainage at the same intersection, or take any action relative thereto.

Not Recommended.

ARTICLE 36. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to install a berm on Thompson Street, Precinct A, at the intersection of Flynt and Thompson Streets, at the property of Alexander Stupak, Jr., or otherwise improve the area to correct drainage problem, or take any other action relative thereto.

Not Recommended.

ARTICLE 37. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to install drainage and a berm on Flynt Street, Precinct A, beginning at, and connected to, recently installed drainage and berm near the property of Walter Zebrowski and ending near the property of Everett Kershaw, or take any other action relative thereto.

Not Recommended.

ARTICLE 38. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to install proper drainage

on Flynt St., Precinct A, in the vicinity of Christine Street to the service road leading to the Telephone Building near the Mass. Turnpike, or take any other action relative thereto.

1,175.35 Recommended.

ARTICLE 39. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to reconstruct, oil and gravel and provide necessary drainage on French Drive and James Street, Lake Thompson District, Precinct A, or take any other action relative thereto.

Not Recommended.

ARTICLE 40. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to install drainage on River-view Street, Precinct A, or take any action relative thereto.

6,442.34 Recommended from Chap. 1140, Sect. 20 funds.

ARTICLE 41. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to reconstruct and resurface Nipmuck Street, Precinct A, with Type I material, from the intersection of Park Street, Route 20, easterly, and to provide berms and adequate drainage, or take any other action relative thereto. These funds will be used in conjunction with funds appropriated under Article 37 of the annual town warrant of March 11, 1974.

866.00 Recommended from Chap. 1140, Sect. 20 funds.

ARTICLE 42. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to install Type I pavement and berm where needed on Elizabeth Street, Precinct B, from the end of the present improved surface, southwest-erly to the turn-a-round at the end of said street, and to install Type I pavement and berm on Darryl Circle from Elizabeth Street, southeasterly a distance of 300 feet, or take any other action relative thereto.

Not Recommended.

ARTICLE 43. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to improve the drainage on Main Street, Precinct B, in the vicinity of the Town Ad-

ministration Building, and to provide drainage on Route 181 near so-called Four Corners, or take any other action relative thereto.

Not Recommended.

ARTICLE 44. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to reconstruct and resurface Barker Street, Precinct C, from the intersection of Belcher-town Street to the property of Mr. George Foskit, or take any action relative thereto.

Not Recommended.

ARTICLE 45. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to improve the drainage on Barker Street, Precinct C, at the property of Mr. John Eurus, or take any other action relative thereto.

Not Recommended.

ARTICLE 46. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to reconstruct and resurface Birch Street, Precinct C, with Type I material and also install a berm on both sides of Birch Street, a distance of approximately 570 feet, or take any other action relative thereto.

Not Recommended.

ARTICLE 47. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to reconstruct and resurface with Type I material, Forest Street, Precinct D, and to provide berms and adequate drainage, or take any other action relative thereto.

Not Recommended.

ARTICLE 48. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to resurface Hillside Drive, Precinct D, with Type I material and install berms as necessary from present improved surface to end of street, approximately a distance of 800 feet, or take any other action relative thereto.

Not Recommended.

ARTICLE 49. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to provide a concrete sidewalk and granite curb stone on Main Street, Precinct B, from the railroad crossing to Route 181, or take any action relative thereto.

7,930.00 Recommended from Chap. 1140, Sect. 20 funds.

ARTICLE 50. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to construct a concrete sidewalk with granite curbstone on Main Street, Precinct C, from Pleasant Street to Ruggles Street, or take any action relative thereto.

Not Recommended.

ARTICLE 51. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to install, maintain and otherwise provide street lighting as follows:

- (a) Install a street light on Pole #10 on Pine Street, Precinct A.

Not Recommended.

- (b) Install a street light on Pole #1 on Belanger Street, Precinct C.

Not Recommended.

- (c) Install a street light on Pole #4 on Maple Street, Precinct C.

Not Recommended.

- (d) Install a street light on Pole #4, 6, 8 and 10 on Forest Street, Precinct D.

49.65 Recommended for Pole 6.

- (e) Install a street light on Pole #8, 10, 12 and 14 on Hillside Drive, Precinct D.

99.30 Recommended for Pole 10.

- (f) Install a street light on Pole #6 on Pine Street, Precinct D.

Not Recommended.

ARTICLE 52. To see if the Town will vote to amend the existing ~~by-law~~, "By-Law for the Restricting of Lot Sizes", as adopted at the special town meeting of November 15, 1971 under Article 6 and amended at the special town meeting of December 10, 1973 under Article 9 as follows:

By substituting the present paragraph three under Section A with the following new paragraph:

Any building or structure, except one occupied or to be occupied by five (5) or more families, which shall be erected or enlarged on a lot that abuts a street or roadway which has been assigned a federal or state route number or, any street or roadway which is contiguous with two (2) or more of either or both said federal or state routed highways, shall be set back at least fifty (50) lineal feet from the street line and at least fifteen (15) lineal feet from the side and rear lot lines.

Also to change the present paragraph three under Section A to read paragraph four. The language in this paragraph remains unchanged. It reads as follows:

Any building existing at the time of the adoption of this By-Law which is destroyed by fire, explosion, act of public enemy or Act of God may be replaced on its lot, regardless, providing said new building is equal to or exceeds the fair market value of the original building at the time of the casualty. Said replacement of building must be under construction within one year from the date of the casualty.

Recommended.

ARTICLE 53. To see if the Town will vote to accept a Town By-Law to prohibit the incineration, reduction of or dumping of offal, garbage or refuse, except where controlled by the municipality or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended.

ARTICLE 54. To see if the Town would raise and appropriate the sum of \$4000.00 for engineering services to prepare a Feasibility Study for the development of Water Street Park, Precinct A, or take any other action relative thereto.

4,000.00 Recommended.

ARTICLE 55. To choose committees and give them instructions.

ARTICLE 56. To act on reports of Town Officers.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof in some one public place in each of the four villages of the Town, known as the Depot Village, Thorndike, Three Rivers and Bondsville, seven days at least before the holding of said meeting and by publishing an attested copy thereof in at least one issue of the Palmer Journal Register, a newspaper published in said Palmer, the publication to be not less than seven days before the holding of said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant, with your doings, thereon, to the Town Clerk at or before the holding of said meeting.

Given under our hands this twenty-first day of January, A. D. 1975.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

William J. Lemanski
James L. St. Amand
Thomas W. Haley

A true copy

Attest:

Edward J. Jasak
Constable of the Town of Palmer

ARTICLE 6 -- APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED

GENERAL GOVERNMENT - 3.3%

<u>Item</u>	<u>Expended 1972</u>	<u>Expended 1/1/73 - 6/30/74</u>	<u>Approp. FY 1975</u>	<u>Recom- mended FY 1976</u>
1. <u>MODERATOR</u>		150.00	100.00	100.00
<u>SELECTMEN:</u>				
2. Salaries	4,095.00	6,390.00	4,386.00	4,386.00
3. Salary of Secretary	2,060.00	3,575.40	2,500.00	2,750.00
4. Other Expenses	3,964.11	10,086.37	6,637.00	6,550.00
5. Out-of-State Travel			75.00	75.00
6. Equipment Purchases			1,700.00	400.00
7. Contingent Account	2,683.24	863.71	1,000.00	1,000.00
<u>ACCOUNTANT:</u>				
8. Salary	9,733.50	15,188.63	11,500.00	12,650.00
9. Clerical	2,924.87	5,848.72	4,492.98	5,400.00
10. Other Expenses	294.39	623.42	312.00	312.00
11. Out-of-State Travel		98.80	150.00	160.00
<u>TREASURER:</u>				
12. Salary	10,145.50	15,832.00	11,500.00	12,132.00
13. Clerical	6,128.50	8,260.45	6,260.00	6,500.00
14. Other Expenses	4,088.18	13,972.59	4,630.00	4,630.00
15. Out-of-State Travel			150.00	200.00
<u>COLLECTOR:</u>				
16. Salary	6,901.00	10,768.50	7,900.00	8,335.00
17. Clerical	5,005.80	9,681.86	6,405.00	6,500.00
18. Other Expenses	2,504.15	6,692.92	5,405.00	6,292.00
<u>TOWN CLERK:</u>				
19. Salary	2,729.50	5,010.00	3,582.78	4,500.00
20. Clerical	2,985.58	6,177.92	5,238.03	6,500.00
21. Other Expenses	788.83	1,842.26	1,326.00	1,326.00
<u>ELECTION & REGISTRATION:</u>				
22. Registrars' Salaries	1,200.00	1,815.38	1,600.00	1,600.00
23. Other Expenses	9,104.51	9,280.00	6,860.00	4,875.00
<u>ASSESSORS:</u>				
24. Salaries	4,349.88	6,787.50	4,798.56	3,300.00
25. Clerical	6,833.02	10,663.00	7,741.80	7,742.00
26. Other Expenses	2,300.00	4,150.00	7,925.00	7,200.00
27. Mapping & Engineering	900.00	1,350.00	900.00	900.00
<u>LAW AND CLAIMS:</u>				
28. Salary of Town Counsel	3,150.00	5,050.00	3,850.00	3,850.00
29. Law & Claims Other Expenses	196.25	1,443.43	1,600.00	1,600.00
30. Special Legal Services	600.00	1,320.00	2,000.00	5,000.00
31. Out-of-State Travel			100.00	100.00

Item	Expended 1972	Expended 1/1/73 - 6/30/74	Approp. FY 1975	Recom- mended FY 1976
<u>LICENSE COMMISSION:</u>				
32. Expenses	175.00	260.55	325.00	275.00
<u>MEMORIAL HALL:</u>				
33. Custodian's Salary	1,260.00	1,946.70	1,349.71	1,350.00
34. Other Expenses	595.50	953.02	1,460.00	1,460.00
<u>PALMER TOWN BUILDING:</u>				
35. Custodian's Salary	2,900.00	4,480.50	3,106.48	3,106.00
36. Care of Grounds	647.62	972.80	600.00	600.00
37. Other Expenses	4,870.95	9,553.70	7,690.00	8,990.00
<u>ENGINEERING:</u>				
38. Town Engineer Salary	4,800.00	7,200.00	4,992.00	4,992.00
39. Consulting Engineer	9,099.73	5,013.06	4,000.00	4,000.00
40. Other Expenses				---
<u>FINANCE:</u>				
41. Expenses	655.55	1,463.21	879.00	1,510.00
<u>PLANNING BOARD:</u>				
42. Salary of Clerk	300.00	450.00	600.00	600.00
43. Expenses	572.70	1,798.37	800.00	1,650.00
<u>BOARD OF APPEALS:</u>				
44. Expenses	237.47	345.11	450.00	450.00
<u>PERSONNEL BOARD:</u>				
45. Expenses				300.00
<u>COUNCIL ON AGING:</u>				
46. Expenses				700.00
TOTAL FOR GENERAL GOVERNMENT	121,780.32	197,359.88	148,877.34	156,848.00

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY - 5.8%

<u>POLICE DEPARTMENT:</u>				
47. Salaries	189,959.20	310,263.46	211,063.78	216,466.80
48. Other Expenses	16,444.95	27,834.72	15,950.00	20,540.00
49. Cruisers	7,600.00	7,791.01	8,700.00	8,500.00
<u>AUXILIARY POLICE:</u>				
50. Expenses				2,500.00
<u>CIVIL DEFENSE:</u>				
51. Salary	250.00	525.00	364.00	364.00
52. Other Expenses	766.06	177.82	350.00	200.00

<u>Item</u>	<u>Expended 1972</u>	<u>Expended 1/1/73 - 6/30/74</u>	<u>Approp. FY 1975</u>	<u>Recom- mended FY 1976</u>
<u>FOREST WARDEN:</u>				
53. Salary	1,690.00	2,611.00	1,810.33	1,800.00
54. Other Expenses	810.26	2,098.99	2,176.00	1,876.00
55. Out-of-District Fires	247.50	3,003.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
<u>TREE WARDEN:</u>				
56. Salary	892.80	1,346.40	1,350.00	1,350.00
57. Other Expenses	2,794.11	5,203.13	2,775.00	2,775.00
<u>BRUSH AND WEED CONTROL:</u>				
58. Labor	1,994.40	2,988.40	2,500.00	2,500.00
59. Other Expenses	2,155.82	3,073.73	2,600.00	2,200.00
<u>DUTCH ELM DISEASE:</u>				
60. Labor	1,463.20	2,195.20	2,250.00	2,250.00
61. Other Expenses	3,311.42	4,693.18	3,200.00	2,925.00
<u>INSECT PEST CONTROL:</u>				
62. Labor	1,029.20	2,206.00	1,600.00	1,600.00
63. Other Expenses	993.90	3,214.36	1,600.00	1,600.00
<u>SEALER:</u>				
64. Salary	583.33	1,561.00	1,200.00	1,260.00
65. Other Expenses	369.23	861.47	664.60	759.60
<u>DOG OFFICER:</u>				
66. Salary	200.00	1,500.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
67. Other Expenses	2,514.89	3,964.50	2,221.00	1,921.00
<u>GAS INSPECTOR:</u>				
68. Salary	500.00	750.00	500.00	525.00
69. Expenses			25.00	25.00
70. <u>TOWN FIRE ENGINEERS:</u>	75.00	112.50	75.00	75.00
<u>CONSERVATION COMMISSION:</u>				
71. Expenses	224.70	233.96	300.00	300.00
<u>WIRE INSPECTOR:</u>				
72. Salary	300.00	600.00	500.00	500.00
73. Other Expenses	93.82	45.00	25.00	25.00
74. <u>HISTORICAL COMMISSION:</u>				200.00
<u>BUILDING INSPECTOR:</u>				
75. Salary				1,200.00
76. Other Expenses				300.00
TOTAL FOR PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY	237,263.79	388,853.83	266,799.71	279,537.40

<u>Item</u>	<u>Expended 1972</u>	<u>Expended 1/1/73 - 6/30/74</u>	<u>Approp. FY 1975</u>	<u>Recom- mended FY 1976</u>
<u>HEALTH AND SANITATION - 2.2%</u>				
<u>BOARD OF HEALTH:</u>				
77. Salaries	1,650.00	2,494.27	1,821.04	1,912.00
78. Health Agent's Salary	400.00	624.00	440.96	463.00
79. Other Expenses	4,138.41	6,150.49	5,221.20	5,879.00
<u>MILK INSPECTION:</u>				
80. Salary & Expenses	270.00	405.00	270.00	270.00
<u>ANIMAL INSPECTOR:</u>				
81. Salary & Expenses	750.00	1,125.00	750.00	750.00
82. <u>VITAL STATISTICS:</u>	238.50		300.00	300.00
83. <u>PALMER VISITING NURSE ASS'N.:</u>	6,000.00	9,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
<u>PLUMBING INSPECTOR:</u>				
84. Salary & Expenses	437.50	1,050.00	700.00	700.00
<u>SANITARY LANDFILL</u>				
85. Salary of Caretaker	4,437.16	6,855.54	4,966.52	4,992.00
86. Contracted Services				36,162.00
87. Other Expenses	13,341.26	22,416.24	17,302.40	3,900.00
88. <u>GARBAGE COLLECTION:</u>	18,600.00	30,900.00	21,300.00	21,600.00
89. <u>WING MEMORIAL HOSPITAL FUND:</u>	2,000.00	3,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
90. <u>SEWER TRUNKMAIN CLEANING:</u>	3,962.60	5,952.21	4,000.00	4,000.00
91. <u>GENERAL SEWER MAINTENANCE:</u>	17,005.59	16,135.98	10,650.00	10,960.00
TOTAL FOR HEALTH AND SANITATION	73,231.02	106,108.73	79,722.12	103,888.00
<u>HIGHWAYS - 6.0%</u>				
<u>HIGHWAYS:</u>				
92. Salaries	114,544.38	163,771.65	120,923.00	132,319.00
93. General Highway Maintenance	48,783.95	56,519.46	37,985.00	37,440.00
94. Street Signs & Traffic Regulations	2,702.51	6,300.79	4,300.00	2,900.00
95. Highway Equipment	45,844.74	48,107.00		
96. Highway Equipment Repairs				10,000.00
97. Bridge Maintenance	3,342.52	3,471.42	2,800.00	2,800.00
98. General Sidewalk Maintenance	2,483.39	7,483.07	5,000.00	5,000.00

<u>Item</u>	<u>Expended 1972</u>	<u>Expended 1/1/73 - 6/30/74</u>	<u>Approp. FY 1975</u>	<u>Recom- mended FY 1976</u>
99. Surface Treatment	22,313.47	22,184.80	16,800.00	27,000.00
100. Snow Removal	68,101.96	63,618.73	28,300.00	29,000.00
101. Street Lighting	33,707.66	53,020.13	36,437.88	43,000.00
TOTAL FOR HIGHWAYS	341,824.58	424,477.05	252,545.88	289,459.00
<u>VETERAN'S DEPARTMENT - 1.3%</u>				
<u>VETERANS:</u>				
102. Veteran's Agent Salary	8,137.00	12,698.00	9,108.87	9,564.00
103. Veteran's Clerical	482.00	827.00	600.00	700.00
104. Veteran's Benefits	45,945.82	73,396.38	52,100.00	51,000.00
105. Veteran's Other Expenses	567.72	944.44	800.00	900.00
106. Rent-World War I Vets	100.00	150.00	100.00	100.00
TOTAL FOR VETERAN'S DEPARTMENT	55,232.54	88,015.82	62,708.87	62,264.00
<u>EDUCATION AND LIBRARIES - 67.1%</u>				
107. <u>PUBLIC SCHOOLS:</u>	2,064,087.71	3,500,363.00	2,430,442.09	2,817,680.00
108. <u>PATHFINDER REGIONAL:</u>	47,051.72	396,805.70	349,494.35	352,261.91
109. <u>PALMER PUBLIC LIBRARY:</u>	67,936.59	68,137.00	50,970.00	55,463.00
TOTAL FOR EDUCATION AND LIBRARIES	2,179,076.02	3,965,305.70	2,830,906.44	3,225,404.91
<u>PARKS, RECREATION AND CELEBRATIONS - 2.5%</u>				
<u>PARKS:</u>				
110. Salaries	32,566.73	51,519.46	44,366.09	49,069.00
111. Equipment Purchases	2,620.56	4,145.60	11,477.30	3,936.00
112. Other Expenses	12,468.77	15,964.80	10,266.00	9,813.00
113. Pee Wee Park Maintenance	1,199.34	1,796.05	1,200.00	1,200.00
<u>RECREATION:</u>				
114. Salaries	9,979.89	10,901.95	11,525.00	11,525.00
115. Other Expenses	5,350.00	8,312.50	6,780.00	7,180.00
116. <u>BICENTENNIAL COMMISSION:</u>				34,400.00
117. <u>MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE</u>	800.00	1,699.05	900.00	1,500.00
TOTAL FOR PARKS, RECREA- TION AND CELEBRATIONS	64,985.29	94,339.41	86,514.39	118,623.00

<u>Item</u>	<u>Expended 1972</u>	<u>Expended 1/1/73 - 6/30/74</u>	<u>Approp. FY 1975</u>	<u>Recom- mended FY 1976</u>
<u>CEMETERIES - .5%</u>				
<u>CEMETERIES:</u>				
118. Labor	18,200.68	28,133.77	21,875.55	18,179.00
119. Salary of Secretary	1,430.00	2,250.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
120. Other Expenses	4,836.84	6,658.91	3,671.00	3,721.00
TOTAL FOR CEMETERIES	24,467.52	37,042.68	27,046.55	23,400.00
<u>PENSIONS - 1.4%</u>				
121. <u>COUNTY RETIRE- MENT ASSESSMENT:</u>	50,702.72	68,209.61	52,247.00	69,602.00
TOTAL FOR PENSIONS	50,702.72	68,209.61	52,247.00	69,602.00
<u>INSURANCE - 1.2%</u>				
122. <u>GENERAL INSURANCE:</u>	15,548.45	41,861.53	21,420.00	22,220.00
123. <u>BLUE CROSS - BLUE SHIELD:</u>	19,823.04	28,549.32	24,000.00	31,500.00
124. <u>GROUP LIFE INSURANCE:</u>	1,160.32	2,625.42	2,100.00	2,100.00
TOTAL FOR INSURANCE	36,531.81	73,036.27	47,520.00	55,820.00
<u>UNCLASSIFIED - .1%</u>				
125. <u>TOWN REPORTS:</u>	2,080.00	4,757.94	2,500.00	2,700.00
126. <u>COUNTY AID TO AGRICULTURE:</u>	50.00	75.00	40.00	50.00
127. <u>RAP, INC. OF PALMER:</u>				
TOTAL FOR UNCLASSIFIED	2,130.00	4,832.94	2,540.00	2,750.00
<u>INTEREST AND MATURING DEBT - 8.6%</u>				
<u>INTEREST:</u>				
128. Tax Anticipation Note	20,943.16	41,454.62	24,000.00	5,000.00
129. School Bonds	12,000.00	15,900.00	9,000.00	7,800.00
130. Three Rivers Flood Control	4,834.38	7,962.51	3,128.13	2,259.38
131. Thorndike St. Sewer Bonds	3,283.20	5,472.00	2,188.80	1,824.00
132. Palmer Industrial Park Urban Renewal		46,179.33	154,387.00	118,750.00
133. Relocatable Classrooms		7,848.37	2,240.70	1,120.35

<u>Item</u>	<u>Expended 1972</u>	<u>Expended 1/1/73 - 6/30/74</u>	<u>Approp. FY 1975</u>	<u>Recom- mended FY 1976</u>
134. Main St. Sewer - Three Rivers			5,650.00	4,950.00
135. Wastewater Treatment Facilities				28,125.00
TOTAL INTEREST	41,060.74	124,816.83	200,594.63	169,828.73
<u>PRINCIPAL:</u>				
136. School Bonds	40,000.00	80,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00
137. Three Rivers Flood Control	17,500.00	35,000.00	17,500.00	17,500.00
138. Thorndike St. Sewer Bonds	6,400.00	12,800.00	6,400.00	6,400.00
139. Relocatable Classrooms		58,353.89	29,100.00	29,100.00
140. Main St. Sewer - Three Rivers			14,000.00	11,000.00
141. Bond Issue - Urban Renewal			135,000.00	140,000.00
TOTAL PRINCIPAL	63,900.00	186,153.89	242,000.00	244,000.00
TOTALS	3,292,186.35	5,758,552.64	4,300,022.93	4,801,425.04
LESS:				
Appropriation from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds for Police Salaries - Article 5.				-175,000.00
Appropriation from Special Highway Funds, Chap. 825, Section 1 for Highway Dept. Salaries - Art. 27				- 45,319.00
Appropriation from State Aid to Free Libraries Account to Palmer Public Library - Art. 11.				- 4,380.00
TOTAL ARTICLE 6				4,576,726.04

SUMMARY

	Expended 1972	Expended 1/1/73 - 6/30/74	Approp. FY 1975	Recom- mended FY 1976	FY 1976 %
General Government	121,780.32	197,359.88	148,877.34	156,848.00	3.3
Protection of Persons &					
Property	237,263.79	388,853.83	266,799.71	279,537.40	5.8
Health	73,231.02	106,108.73	79,722.12	103,888.00	2.2
Highways	341,824.58	424,477.05	252,545.88	289,459.00	6.0
Veteran's	55,232.54	88,015.82	62,708.87	62,264.00	1.3
Education	2,179,076.02	3,965,305.70	2,830,906.44	3,225,404.91	67.1
Parks	64,985.29	94,339.41	86,514.39	118,623.00	2.5
Cemeteries	24,467.52	37,042.68	27,046.55	23,400.00	.5
Retirement	50,702.72	68,209.61	52,247.00	69,602.00	1.4
Insurance	36,531.81	73,036.27	47,520.00	55,820.00	1.2
Unclassified	2,130.00	4,832.94	2,540.00	2,750.00	.1
Interest	41,060.74	124,816.83	200,594.63	169,828.73	3.5
Principal	63,900.00	186,153.89	242,000.00	244,000.00	5.1
	3,292,186.35	5,758,552.64	4,300,022.93	4,801,425.04	100.0

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS
SPECIAL ARTICLES - FY 1976

Art. No.	Description	Approp.	Raised By Taxation	Free Cash	Chap. 1140 Sect. 20 Funds
9	Reserve Account	35,000.00	35,000.00		
13	Palmer Midget Baseball	1,200.00	1,200.00		
14	Palmer Cowboy Football	1,500.00	1,500.00		
15	Conservation Fund	5,000.00	5,000.00		
19	Engr. Survey - Fed. Hwy. Safety Act.	9,500.00			9,500.00
22	RAP, Inc.	5,000.00	5,000.00		
23	Ambulance Service	15,000.00	15,000.00		
25	Chap. 90 Maint. FY-1976	21,791.00	5,000.00	16,791.00	
26	Chap. 90 Constr. - FY-1976	47,600.00		32,600.00	15,000.00
28	Chap. 90 Maint. - FY-1975	6,791.00		6,791.00	
29	Chap. 90 Constr. - FY-1975	6,200.00		6,200.00	6,200.00
30	Chap. 90 Constr. - FY-1975	6,200.00		(5,000.00)	
31	Chap. 90 Maint. - FY-1975	(5,000.00)			
38	Flynt St. Drainage	1,175.35	1,175.35		
40	Riverview St. Drainage	6,442.34			6,442.34
41	Nipmuck St. Construction	866.00			866.00
49	Main St., Prec. B Sidewalk	7,930.00			7,930.00
51	Street Lighting	148.95	148.95		
54	Engr. Study - Water St. Park	4,000.00	4,000.00		
		176,344.64	73,024.30	57,382.00	45,938.34

TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION

Total of Special Articles

73,024.30

Article 6 - Departmental Budgets

4,576,726.04

Total

4,649,750.34

Less: Article 10 Transfer from Free Cash to reduce tax levy.

100,000.00

Net Amount to be raised by Taxation

4,549,750.34

Fiscal Year 1975

FINANCE COMMITTEE TRANSFERS
(Through March 31, 1975)

APPROPRIATION - Fiscal Year 1975 \$ 30,000.00

Reserve Account Transfers

<u>Department</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Selectmen's Other Expense	805.00
Tax Collector's Other Expense	356.25
Assessors' Other Expense	1,500.00
Law and Claims O.E.	1,600.00
Outside Legal Services	2,000.00
Engineering Other Expense	363.10
Planning Board Other Expense	250.00
Personnel Board Expenses	200.00
Council on Aging	500.00
Police Other Expense	2,000.00
Police Auxiliary	2,500.00
Park Department Salaries	1,498.30
Bicentennial Commission	1,100.00
Memorial Day Observance	689.25
Pee Wee Baseball Midget League	182.00
Interest on Abated Taxes	<u>3,822.90</u>
Total transferred through March 31, 1975	<u>19,366.80</u>
Balance, March 31, 1975	\$ 10,633.20

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES
FISCAL YEAR 1975

	Appro. (as modified) July 1974- <u>June 1975</u>	Expenditures July 1974- <u>Dec. 1974</u>	Estimated Expend. Jan. 1975- <u>June 1975</u>
<u>GENERAL GOVERNMENT:</u>			
Moderator	100.00	50.00	50.00
<u>SELECTMEN:</u>			
Salaries	4,386.00	2,193.00	2,193.00
Salary of Secretary	2,500.00	1,250.02	1,249.98
Other Expenses	7,442.00	4,010.00	3,432.00
Out-of-State Travel	75.00		75.00
Office Equipment	1,700.00	1,645.00	55.00
Contingent Account	1,000.00	292.50	707.50
<u>ACCOUNTANT:</u>			
Salary	11,500.00	5,750.08	5,749.92
Clerical	4,492.98	2,300.45	2,192.53
Out-of-State Travel	150.00	147.70	2.30
Other Expenses	312.00	88.02	223.98
<u>TREASURER:</u>			
Salary	11,500.00	5,750.08	5,749.92
Clerical	6,260.00	3,250.50	3,009.50
Other Expenses	4,630.00	2,193.82	2,436.18
Out-of-State Travel	150.00	146.70	3.30
<u>COLLECTOR:</u>			
Salary	7,900.00	4,102.00	3,798.00
Clerical	6,405.00	3,248.10	3,156.90
Other Expenses	5,761.25	4,091.80	1,669.45
<u>TOWN CLERK:</u>			
Salary	3,582.78	1,791.42	1,791.36
Clerical	5,238.03	2,619.05	2,618.98
Other Expenses	1,326.00	465.37	860.63
<u>ELECTION & REGISTRATION:</u>			
Registrars Salaries	1,600.00	800.00	800.00
Other Expenses	6,860.00	3,674.24	3,185.76
<u>ASSESSORS:</u>			
Salaries	4,798.56	2,399.22	2,399.34
Clerical	7,741.80	3,870.88	3,870.92
Other Expenses	7,925.00	6,725.00	1,200.00
Engineering	900.00	435.00	465.00

	Appro. (as modified) July 1974- June 1975	Expenditures July 1974- Dec. 1974	Estimated Expend. Jan. 1975- June 1975
Art. 4 STM* 1/28/74 Bd. of Assessors vs. Santucci et al	4,986.90	900.00	4,086.90
Art. 3 STM* 5/13/74 Revaluation- Pers. & R. E. Prop. Tax	36,030.30	28,057.00	7,973.30
<u>TOWN COUNSEL:</u>			
Salary	3,850.00	1,925.00	1,925.00
Law & Claims O.E.	3,200.00	2,282.85	917.15
Outside Legal Services	2,000.00	430.80	1,569.20
Out-of-State Travel	100.00		100.00
<u>LICENSE COMMISSION:</u>			
Expenses	325.00	48.90	276.10
<u>MEMORIAL HALL:</u>			
Custodian's Salary	1,349.71	674.89	674.82
Other Expenses	1,460.00	353.12	1,106.88
<u>PALMER TOWN BUILDING:</u>			
Custodian's Salary	3,106.48	1,553.26	1,553.22
Care of Grounds	600.00	311.88	288.12
Other Expenses	7,690.00	3,725.10	3,964.90
<u>TOWN ENGINEER:</u>			
Salary & Expenses	4,992.00	2,496.00	2,496.00
Consulting Engineer	4,000.00		4,000.00
Other Expenses	363.10	363.10	
<u>FINANCE COMMITTEE:</u>			
Expenses	879.00	65.00	814.00
<u>PLANNING BOARD:</u>			
Salary of Clerk	600.00	300.00	300.00
Expenses	1,050.00	869.47	180.53
<u>BOARD OF APPEALS:</u>			
Expenses	450.00	32.65	417.35
<u>PERSONNEL BOARD:</u>			
Expenses	200.00	65.91	134.09

	Appro. (as modified) July 1974- <u>June 1975</u>	Expenditures July 1974- <u>Dec. 1974</u>	Estimated Expend. Jan. 1975- <u>June 1975</u>
<u>PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROPERTY</u>			
<u>POLICE DEPARTMENT:</u>			
Salaries	211,063.78	108,396.53	102,667.25
Other Expenses	15,950.00	9,633.48	6,316.52
Cruisers - Art. 6-1974	8,700.00	8,240.32	459.68
Auxiliary Police O.E.	2,500.00	852.56	1,647.44
<u>CIVIL DEFENSE:</u>			
Salary	364.00	182.02	181.98
Other Expenses	350.00		350.00
<u>FOREST WARDEN:</u>			
Salary	1,810.33	905.17	905.16
Other Expenses	2,176.00	159.30	2,016.70
Out-of-District Fires	2,000.00	1,081.50	918.50
<u>TREE WARDEN:</u>			
Labor	1,350.00	611.20	738.80
Other Expenses	2,775.00	1,269.90	1,505.10
<u>BRUSH & WEED CONTROL:</u>			
Labor	2,500.00	1,322.80	1,177.20
Other Expenses	2,600.00	1,520.48	1,079.52
<u>DUTCH ELM DISEASE:</u>			
Labor	2,250.00	1,451.20	798.80
Other Expenses	3,200.00	2,255.55	944.45
<u>INSECT PEST CONTROL:</u>			
Labor	1,600.00	496.80	1,103.20
Other Expenses	1,600.00	360.00	1,240.00
<u>SEALER:</u>			
Salary	1,200.00	600.00	600.00
Other Expenses	664.60	341.70	322.90
<u>DOG OFFICER:</u>			
Salary	1,000.00	500.00	500.00
Other Expenses	2,221.00	1,050.20	1,170.80
<u>GAS INSPECTOR:</u>			
Salary	500.00	250.00	250.00
Other Expenses	25.00		25.00

	Appro. (as modified) July 1974- June 1975	Expenditures July 1974- Dec. 1974	Estimated Expend. Jan. 1975- June 1975
<u>TOWN FIRE ENGINEERS:</u>	75.00	37.50	37.50
<u>CONSERVATION COMMISSION:</u>			
Expenses	300.00	32.98	267.02
<u>WIRE INSPECTOR:</u>			
Salary	500.00	250.00	250.00
Other Expenses	25.00		25.00
<u>HISTORICAL COMMISSION:</u>	100.00	38.52	61.48
<u>HEALTH AND SANITATION</u>			
<u>HEALTH DEPARTMENT:</u>			
Board Salaries	1,821.04	910.54	910.50
Health Agent's Salary	440.96	220.48	220.48
Clerical	551.20	275.60	275.60
Health & T.B. O.E.	4,670.00	1,696.82	2,973.18
<u>MILK INSPECTOR:</u>			
Salary	200.00	100.00	100.00
Other Expenses	70.00		70.00
<u>ANIMAL INSPECTOR:</u>			
Salary & Expenses	750.00	375.00	375.00
<u>VITAL STATISTICS:</u>	1,100.00		1,100.00
<u>PALMER VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION:</u>	10,000.00	6,000.00	4,000.00
<u>PLUMBING INSPECTOR:</u>			
Salary & Expenses	700.00	350.00	350.00
<u>TOWN DUMP:</u>	22,268.92	10,579.81	11,689.11
ART. 3 STM*9-30-74 - Site Development & Operations Bldg. - Sanitary Landfill	142,550.00	38,929.36	103,620.64
ART. 4 STM* 9-30-74 - Engr. Costs - Sanitary Landfill	8,000.00		8,000.00
ART. 20-1974 ATM* 3-11-74 - Engr. Costs - Sanitary Landfill	2,500.00	2,473.96	26.04
ART. 5 STM* 12-18-72 - Purchase of Land - Sanitary Landfill	23,500.00	23,500.00	
<u>GARBAGE COLLECTION:</u>	21,300.00	10,500.00	10,800.00

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<u>WING MEMORIAL HOSPITAL FUND:</u>	2,000.00		2,000.00
<u>Art. 16-1974-Rap, Inc. of Palmer:</u>	9,500.00	4,749.94	4,750.06
<u>Art. 18-1974-Ambulance Service Subsidy:</u>	15,000.00	7,500.00	7,500.00
<u>GENERAL SEWER MAINTENANCE</u>	10,650.00	1,679.02	8,970.98
<u>SEWER TRUNKMAIN CLEANING:</u>	4,000.00	240.00	3,760.00
<u>Art. 16-1967-Appraisal Expenses- Sewage Disposal System:</u>	16,000.00		16,000.00
<u>Art. 60-C-1969-So. High St.-D:</u>	2,800.00		2,800.00
<u>Art. 6-1969 STM* 5-5-69 Wilbraham St.-A:</u>	34,619.80		34,619.80
<u>Art. 63-1971-Engr. & Legal Services Wastewater Treatment Program:</u>	3,824.23		3,824.23
<u>Art. 21-1974-Engr. Services Waste- water Treatment Program:</u>	15,000.00		15,000.00
<u>Art. 48-1973-Main St.-C (from RR Crossing west of Thorndike-B):</u>	3,446.94	2,940.98	505.96
<u>HIGHWAYS AND SIDEWALKS</u>			
<u>HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT:</u>			
<u>HIGHWAY SALARIES:</u>	120,923.00	50,113.43	70,809.57
<u>GEN. HIGHWAY MAINT.:</u>	37,985.00	10,352.91	27,632.09
<u>STREET SIGNS:</u>	4,300.00	1,679.51	2,620.49
<u>HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT EQUIPMENT:</u>			
<u>BRIDGE MAINTENANCE:</u>	2,800.00		2,800.00
<u>SURFACE TREATMENT OF STREETS:</u>	16,800.00	5,466.87	11,333.13
<u>SNOW REMOVAL:</u>	28,300.00	3,708.68	24,591.32
<u>STREET LIGHTING:</u>	36,437.88	16,676.55	19,761.33
<u>Art. 23-1973-Traffic Control Signals (Park & Central Sts.-A):</u>	17,188.84	17,188.84	
<u>Art. 4-STM*-5-13-74 Traffic Control Signals:</u>	5,000.00	3,786.66	1,213.34

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<u>Art. 29-1972-Chap. 90- Construction- Warren St. -A:</u>	30,130.82	28,025.01	2,105.81
<u>Art. 28-1973-Chap. 90-Construction- Warren St. -A:</u>	35,200.00		35,200.00
<u>Art. 24-1974-Chap. 90-Maintenance:</u>	15,000.00	13,343.78	1,656.22
<u>Art. 25-1974 Chap. 90-Construction- Warren St. -A:</u>	35,200.00	5.00	35,195.00
<u>Art. 55-1966 Gates St. -B:</u>	2,690.00		2,690.00
<u>Art. 30-1972 Alden St. -A:</u>	578.38		578.38
<u>Art. 31-1973 Flynt St. -A:</u>	17,796.08	17,745.40	50.68
<u>Art. 35-1973 Mason St. -A:</u>	870.11	833.53	36.58
<u>Art. 40-1973 North St. -C:</u>	11,721.65	11,045.14	676.51
<u>Art. 26-1974 Rathbone St. -A:</u>	8,982.00	7,999.42	982.58
<u>Art. 23-1974 Nipmuck St. -A:</u>	10,000.00		10,000.00
<u>Art. 34-1974 Calkins Rd. -A:</u>	484.00	475.10	8.90
<u>Art. 43-B-1973 Conant St. -A:</u>	721.65	240.00	481.65
<u>Art. 43-C-1973 Thorndike St. -A:</u>	482.42	249.12	533.30
<u>GENERAL SIDEWALK MAINTENANCE:</u>	5,000.00	695.73	4,304.27
<u>Art. 51-H-1970 Main St. -B</u>	500.00		500.00
<u>VETERAN'S DEPARTMENT:</u>			
Veteran's Agent Salary	9,108.87	4,554.36	4,554.51
Veteran's Clerical	600.00	303.45	296.55
Veteran's Benefits	52,100.00	19,330.09	32,769.91
Veteran's Other Expenses	800.00	552.40	247.60
<u>ART. 8-1974 STM* 9-30-74 Unpaid Bills of Previous Years</u>	364.05	324.05	40.00
<u>Rent - World War I Vets</u>	100.00		100.00
<u>EDUCATION:</u>			
<u>Public Schools - Support & Maintenance</u>	2,430,858.93	1,174,375.61	1,256,483.32
<u>Pathfinder Regional Voc. Tech. High School District</u>	349,494.35	174,747.19	174,747.16

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ART. 24-1973 Heat Detectors	19,752.03		19,752.03
Palmer Public Library	50,970.00	25,485.00	25,485.00
<u>PARKS, RECREATION & CELEBRATIONS:</u>			
Park Salaries	44,366.09	23,262.32	21,103.77
Park Other Expenses	10,266.00	5,130.62	5,135.38
Pee Wee Park - Maint. of Grounds	1,200.00	752.32	447.68
Park Equipment	11,477.30	10,075.83	1,401.47
ART. 21-1973 - Purchase of Mary Rose Coen Property- Water St.-A	15,000.00	15,000.00	
Recreation Salaries	11,525.00	10,941.01	583.99
Recreation Other Expenses	6,780.00	3,240.50	3,539.50
Bicentennial Commission	300.00	298.75	1.25
Memorial Day Observance	1,589.25	689.25	900.00
ART. 13-1973 - Pee Wee Midget League	1,182.00	1,182.00	
ART. 14-1974 - Palmer Cowboy Football Team	1,500.00	1,500.00	
<u>CEMETERIES:</u>			
Labor	21,875.55	12,197.87	9,677.68
Salary of Secretary	1,500.00	750.00	750.00
Other Expenses	3,671.00	1,854.12	1,816.88
<u>PENSIONS:</u>			
County Retirement Assessment	52,247.00	52,247.00	
<u>INSURANCE:</u>			
General Insurance	21,420.00		21,420.00
Blue Cross - Blue Shield	24,000.00	10,230.64	13,769.36
Group Life Insurance	2,100.00	971.20	1,128.80
<u>UNCLASSIFIED:</u>			
Town Reports	2,500.00	12.50	2,487.50
County Aid to Agriculture	40.00	40.00	
Reserve Account	30,000.00	7,613.24	22,386.76

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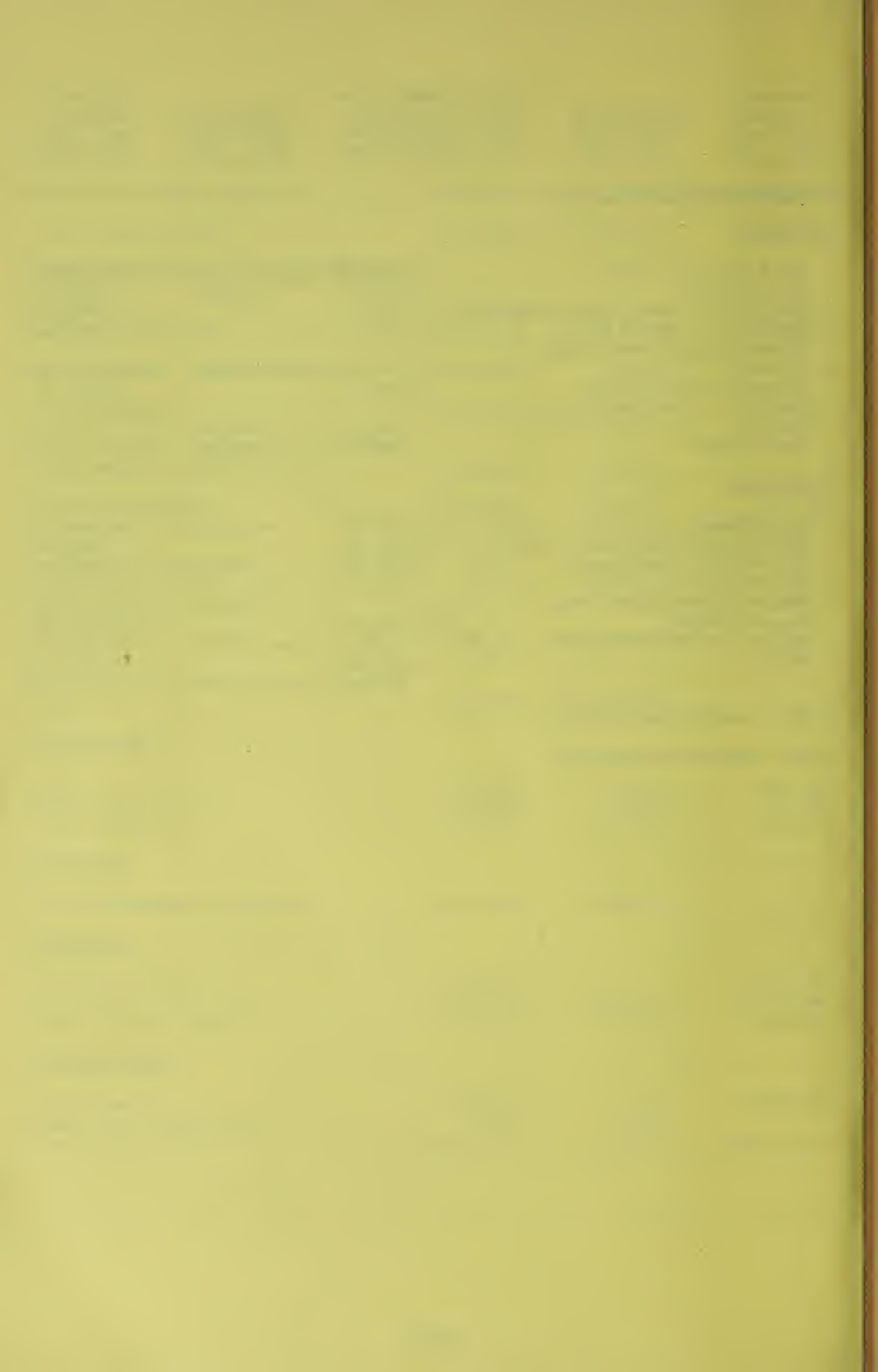
Tax Anticipation Notes	24,000.00		24,000.00
School Bonds	9,000.00	4,500.00	4,500.00
Three Rivers Flood Control Project	3,128.13		3,128.13
Thorndike St. Sewer Bonds	2,188.80		2,188.80
Palmer Industrial Park Urban Renewal	154,387.00	50,595.57	103,791.43
Relocatable Classrooms	2,240.70		2,240.70
Main St., Three Rivers Sewer Project	5,650.00	5,650.00	
Abated Taxes	667.64	667.64	

PRINCIPAL:

School Bonds	40,000.00		40,000.00
Three Rivers Flood Control Project	17,500.00		17,500.00
Thorndike St. Sewer Bonds	6,400.00		6,400.00
Relocatable Classrooms	29,100.00		29,100.00
Palmer Industrial Park Urban Renewal Project	200,000.00		200,000.00
Main St. Three Rivers Sewer Project	14,000.00		14,000.00

*STM - Special Town Meeting

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TELEPHONE NUMBERS

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Fire:

Bondsville	283-8389
Palmer	283-3456
Thorndike	283-8386
Three Rivers	283-8386

Hospital	283-7651
Police	283-5609

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Assessors	283-5061
Civil Defense	283-7261
Dog Officer	283-8747
Health Board	283-7622
Highway Department	283-3721
License Commission	283-7261
Park Commission	283-3013
Planning Board	283-9425
Police Department	283-7461

Schools:

Elementary:

Bondsville	283-3961
Park Street	283-3221
Quaboag	283-3371
St. Ann's - Three Rivers	283-9384
Thorndike Grammar - Thorndike	283-5561
Thorndike Street - Palmer	283-8061
Three Rivers Grammar	283-3230

Kindergarten:

St. Thomas Parish Center	283-9148
Palmer High School	283-6511
Pathfinder Regional Vocational-Technical High School	283-9701
Superintendent of Schools	283-9813

Selectmen	283-7261
Tax Collector	283-6272
Town Accountant	283-7261
Town Clerk	283-3711
Town Treasurer	283-7622
Veteran's	283-8011